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NINETEEN BILLS DEALT WITH

Private Members' Day in Legislature Replete With Consideration of Many Measures—Railway Bills to the Fore

ESTIMATES TO BE BROUGHT IN TODAY

Budget Speech to Be Delivered Tomorrow—Various Amendments Offered to Measures Reported to House

No fewer than nineteen private bills were dealt with in the legislature yesterday, either at committee or second reading stage, in addition to which several public measures were before the House, and the Premier's resolution that that behalf was formally agreed to, providing that there shall be hereafter (if it be deemed advisable) two sittings in each day—at 2 and at 8 p.m. The government's intention as at present understood, is not to inaugurate night sittings until the concluding week, although the authority now exists for bringing such sittings on at any time. Incident to yesterday's proceedings, a casual interjection by Mr. Parker Williams during committee consideration of the Salvation Army's bill, evoked an announcement by Hon. Mr. Bowser that the estimates will be laid before the House today, his Budget speech being reserved for tomorrow, while Hon. Premier McBride will bring down the railway legislation at the beginning of the new week, it having been found impracticable to present these important government matters quite as early as at first intended.

The business transacted by parliament yesterday entrenched but very little upon the acknowledged privilege of Private Members' Day, although the bill for the incorporation of Prince Rupert city that to amend the Dykington Assessment Act, both government measures were duly introduced the latter by special message. It contains no variation in any feature of principle, being in effect for the correction of certain clerical errors and the improvement in the machinery of administration in dyking assessment matters. The Prince Rupert incorporation bill is somewhat in the nature of a surprise, in that it contains none of the multiplied referendum features that were conspicuous in the original draft, and merely provides for the incorporation of the new northern terminal town in accordance with the now favored practice in British Columbia, under the Municipal Clauses Act, the municipal government being a mayor and council of eight aldermen whose election in the accustomed manner will take place at a date during the present year hereafter to be set by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. The only other government legislation dealt with at yesterday's sitting was the Steam Boilers Inspection Act amendment bill, which Hon. Mr. Taylor presented for first reading. Prince Rupert's incorporation bill is in the hands of the attorney general.

To Revise Legislation.
In committee on the bill for the incorporation of the Port Moody, Indian River & Northern Railway Co. (Mr. Macgowan), a slight amendment was made at the suggestion of the chief law officer of the Crown, providing that the head office of the company shall be established in British Columbia—the bill as originally drawn naming "Canada." Incidental to such brief debate as arose during consideration of this bill.

Hon. Mr. Bowser stated that it was the intention of his department, during the next recess, to go through all railway legislation on the Provincial statute book, consolidating the same and bringing it into desirable harmony with the Dominion railway law, an announcement which provoked a word of congratulation from Mr. Hawthorthwaite, addressed to his friend the Attorney General.

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AFTER MILK TRUST

New York Grand Jury Returns Indictments Against Directors of Consolidated Milk Exchange.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The milk trust, so-called, was indicted in New York today. After a grand jury investigation extending over a period of six weeks, a blanket indictment was handed down in the supreme court late this afternoon naming eight of seventeen directors of the Consolidated Milk exchange, a New Jersey corporation, charging that they "conspired together and with others to fix the wholesale price of milk, and did fix it at \$1.41 for a forty-quart can of milk."

One year in prison and a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both, is the penalty for each offense, which is classed as a misdemeanor by the consolidated laws of the state, generally referred to as the general business laws. An additional fine may be imposed on the corporation upon conviction.

Bench warrants were issued for the eight directors. Nine other directors of the exchange escaped indictment, having earned immunity by testifying before the grand jury and before the state inquiry into the milk trade, which is still in progress. Today's indictments are the first specific results obtained by the state since it began its investigation of the milk trade in Greater New York. The grand jury will continue its sittings to consider further evidence in the hands of the district attorney.

CANADA AND GERMANY

Prominent Berlin Paper Says This Country is Prejudiced by English Imperialists.

BERLIN, Feb. 23.—The National Zeitung says Canada is prejudiced against Germany by English Imperialists and protectionists, and asserts that Canada obtains all news about Germany through English channels.

"This news is frequently mendacious," it states, and suggests that "the attention of those in competent quarters in Berlin might be directed towards organizing a scheme whereby Canada may receive German news direct from Germany."

The paper concludes by denouncing Conservative newspapers in London as being prejudiced to an incredible degree, and fears, along with many other German papers, that a satisfactory commercial treaty with Canada may even now not be secured.

Parole Officer Archibald Ill
OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Dominion Parole Officer Archibald is seriously ill with typhoid fever at his home here. It is thought, however, that the crisis has passed and that he will recover unless unforeseen complications set in.

QUEEN'S HOTEL IS PURCHASED

Johnson Street Property Put Through Market for \$60,000—Another Interesting Sale on Same Thoroughfare

An important transfer in Victoria business realty was made yesterday when the Queen's hotel at the corner of Store and Johnson streets changed hands for \$60,000. The purchase was made by A. O. P. Francis, who represents old country capitalists. The hotel and the site on which it stands was formerly the property of Simon Leiser & Co. Ltd., the deal being negotiated by Herbert Macklin, of that firm. Mr. Francis has been in the city for some time past, and has made a number of buys in real estate for old country investors, who are firm believers in the future growth of this city. The same capitalists were responsible for the recent purchase of Porter's wharf.

Another interesting sale put through the market was that of a lot on Johnson street next Shotholt's drug store. This property was bought by the Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Company, the consideration being \$30,000. The Jubilee Saloon has quarters on the ground floor of the property.

Allen & Son report the sale of a house and lot on Richmond avenue, the purchasers being eastern people, and the price \$3,000.

CONSERVATIVES OF VICTORIA

The Annual Meeting of the Victoria Conservative Association will be held on

Today, February 24th

in the A. O. U. W. Hall. The chair will be taken at 8 p. m.

BUSINESS—Election of Officers and Nomination and Election of Delegates to the Dominion Conservative Convention to be held at Ottawa.

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GOD SAVE THE KING

NOT TO EXTEND BOUNTY SYSTEM

Finance Minister Indicates That Iron and Steel Industries Will Not Be Conceded a Prolongation

CONTINUE DEBATE ON NAVY QUESTION

Member for Frontenac Objects to Habit of Consulting Feelings of Quebec in Matters Affecting Empire

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—In the House today C. Boyce questioned Mr. Fielding, who is the acting leader, as to whether there was any legislation proposed with a view of renewing the bounties on iron and steel. The answer of the Finance Minister was that at the present moment the Government had no intention of extending the bounties. There have been rumors frequently that there would be a prolongation of the bounty system so far as these particular industries are concerned, and Mr. Fielding's speech in presenting the Budget lent color to that assumption.

The debate on the naval bill was continued today. Dr. Edwards, of Frontenac, accused Sir Wilfrid Laurier of being concerned in a plot for the dismemberment and disintegration of the Empire. Never had a statesman in the Empire occupied such an unenviable position, and he described the Premier as "the lightning change political artist of North America." This characterization caused laughter and applause, which was renewed when Dr. Edwards referred to Sir Wilfrid's policy in Quebec as "not one ship, not one gun," and in Toronto, "we must help if England was threatened."

Dr. Edwards stated his amusement at the Premier's efforts to get Smith to reconcile the negative and positive statements of the Premier. "These efforts," he declared, "would give language to a snake." Sir Wilfrid, he added at the present time was like the spirit of Mahomet, hanging between heaven and hell, and fit for neither place.

Anti-Imperialism

Dr. Edwards went on to criticize the attitude of some of the French Canadian and English political leaders towards the Empire. "Time and time again the impression had been created that there was a sentiment against Imperialism in Quebec which had to be combatted whenever any national question was raised. They had been warned in the past to be very careful in treating questions which might tread on the toes of the good people of that province. Even the good British province of Manitoba had been informed that she must be content to remain a postage stamp province until she bowed the knee, if not the heart, to Quebec. Dr. Edwards reminded Quebec that Canada had people of English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh origin, but the uppermost thought always in the mind of the Government was: "What will Quebec say?" Other provinces could be fooled as usual, but Dr. Edwards recognized in the French Canadians an intelligent and energetic section of the people. Their intelligence could not be questioned when it was remembered that if they were not really loyal it was because of the doctrine which had been rammed down their throats by their leaders on the Government side of the House.

Yesterday, added Dr. Edwards, Mr. Rivett of Hochelaga had challenged any one to point a finger at Quebec and say that province was disloyal. The member for Frontenac was prepared to give evidence to show that there was an anti-British sentiment in that province. He would place that sentiment where it really belonged. The policy of separation from the Empire had been preached in Quebec. Public money had been utilized for booze to foster the feeling, and it was preached not only on the platform but in subsidized books.

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PUBLIC MONEY USED

Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance Examines Statement in Regard to Liquor at Government House.

HALIFAX, Feb. 23.—The Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance, which met in annual session at Truro yesterday, considers that it has proof that the province of Nova Scotia is paying, or has paid, for liquors used at Government House. Halifax. The general secretary of the alliance had stated this at a meeting of the Presbyterian Synod. Premier Murray resented the assertion. The alliance at its meeting yesterday appointed a committee to take any evidence in support of Mr. Grant's assertion and report it to the convention in order that it might be known whether the revenues of the province have been put to such a use. The committee reported as follows: "Your committee, having examined the financial returns of Nova Scotia for 1906 and copies of vouchers secured from the office of the Provincial Secretary, find that in accordance with the documents the statement of the Rev. E. B. Grant that the people's money was used to provide for a state function at Government House is correct."

The committee's report was received with cheers.

Garment Workers Strike

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—Six hundred garment workers struck today. The strike is a sympathetic one, and is due to employers doing work for the firm of Sommers and Company, whose employees have been on strike for some time.

Cold Snap in Montana

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 23.—All cold weather records for this winter were broken last night when a temperature of 38 below zero was reported from Argenta, high in the mountains of Beaver Head county. On the flat below Butte the thermometer registered 33 below.

Royal Arch Masons

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—The Grand Chapter, the governing body of Royal Arch Masons in Western Canada, convened here this morning with a large number of delegates in attendance. George Moore pointed out how capillary masonry had advanced during the year, as evidenced by the institution of new chapters and the increase in the number of returns. The membership is now 14,000, an increase of about 1,100. A new Ontario district was approved. Officers elected for Western Canada were: Manitoba, W. B. Young, Neepawa; Saskatchewan, G. Will, Prince Albert; Alberta, James Rea, Medicine Hat; British Columbia, W. Burns, Vancouver; Kootenay, T. M. Armstrong, Fort Steele.

TO LIMIT VETO POWER OF LORDS

Mr. Churchill Given Task of Drawing Up Bill and Leading Fight for Its Passage Through House of Commons

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The Liberal ministry today began drawing up a bill to limit the veto power of the Lords by taking from the upper house all votes of delay in matters relating to its deliberations to little more than a mockery.

By this bill the government will stand or fall, in the words of Winston Spencer Churchill, and it is Mr. Churchill, the spokesman of his party on the veto bill, who has been chosen to draw it up and lead the fight for its passage.

Thirty-one advanced radicals, dissatisfied with Premier Asquith's speech on the government's programme, today decided to send a deputation to the Premier and ask for a fuller and more definite assurance that if the Lords' Veto bill is passed by the commons it will become law promptly.

Discussing Canada's Future

LONDON, Feb. 23.—At a meeting of the National Peace Council today, Mr. Bile, in an academic paper asked what harm there could be to Canada or Great Britain if Canada were absorbed in the United States.

Lord Curzon and the Students

GLASGOW, Feb. 23.—Lord Curzon of Kedleston has resigned the rectorship of Edinburgh university. Last week the students held a meeting and adopted a resolution of censure against the lord rector for postponing his installation ceremony in favor of his political engagements. Lord Curzon then sent a letter of explanation, whereupon the students met again and adopted for the second time a vote of censure.

MISS LAWRENCE DEAD

Lady Who Was Closely Identified with Mission Work Among Indians of This Province.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—Miss Susana N. Lawrence, founder of the Kitamaat mission in British Columbia, died today after an illness extending over a period of 17 years, of creeping paralysis.

The deceased lady who was 70 years old devoted many years of her life to mission work among the Indians of British Columbia and was accompanied by Rev. Thomas Crosby in his first pilgrimage west.

She was the first white woman to visit the native Indians of British Columbia in the wilds and remained among them alone for two years and a half blazing the way for the dawn of a day when the Methodist church should firmly establish itself there.

Everyone must admit the wisdom of providing for the payment of the canal expenditure by bonds. This is work of a permanent character for the millions who came after us, and it seems only fair that, that which we provide in such a generous measure for posterity, should be paid for in part at least by posterity.

The same principle, the president declared, should be applied with reference to other projects which commend themselves to congress and the economical completion of which requires the issuing of bonds. He thought of the project for the improvement of our inland waterways came fairly under such a policy. These projects should not be undertaken unless their wisdom was fairly established, but once begun they should be done, not "by fits and starts," but as one job.

Canal's Extra Cost

The president continued: "While I am dealing with the Panama canal, however, I ought to refer to the discrepancy between the estimated cost of the enterprise and the actual cost, as we are now able to fix it with very considerable accuracy within four or five years of its completion. The estimated cost of the engineering and construction of the canal was \$139,700,000. Its actual cost for engineering and construction will be \$297,000,000, an increase of about \$157,300,000."

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INCREASED COST OF PANAMA CANAL

President Taft Tells Newark Gathering Reasons for Great Excess of Actual Expenditure Over Early Estimates

EXTENSIVE CHANGES MADE IN PLANS

Also Speaks of Proposed Measures to Secure Economy in the General Expenditure of United States Government

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 23.—President Taft, the first chief executive to visit Newark since Grant, tonight addressed one of the largest and most enthusiastic dinner audiences he has met in all his travels. The banquet was tendered the president by the Newark board of trade, and more than 800 members and guests were gathered about the long tables.

Mr. Taft took for his theme governmental economy, and told of the efforts being made by his administration to bring down appropriations wherever possible. The president detailed to some extent just where the decreases in appropriations are to occur. He said that it had been decided to continue the policy of two big battleships a year up, during the time the Panama canal is completed, that waterway will double the effective field of the navy, and Mr. Taft said it would then be time to consider a decrease in programme.

Mr. Taft left at 11 o'clock for Jersey City, where his car was switched to the midnight train for Washington.

The president prefaced his address with a brief appreciation of the city of Newark. He then took up government expenses and revenues and the possible economies and what expenditures are essential at whatever burden of taxation.

"We have been so far from exhausting the resources of national taxation," said the president, "that we have failed to meet the needs of our budget system, which is practiced in every other civilized country—the reference of proposed expenditures and receipts to some authority which, after determining what the revenue will be, must determine what the expenditures may be. In congress these functions have been divided, and appropriations are too often made without reference to revenues."

"Following the deficits of 1908 and 1909," continued the president, "congress took action, and now a preliminary duty is thrown upon the secretary of the treasury, to receive all estimates of all departments, to estimate probable revenues, and if his calculations show a deficit, to recommend legislation to meet the deficit, or the raising by bonds of money to meet the estimated deficit."

New Tariff Productive.
"The calculation of the secretary of the treasury for the present year showed that the deficit was likely to be \$34,000,000 in respect to ordinary receipts and expenditures. I am glad to say that the operation of the new tariff bill has done so much more productive of income that this deficit for the present year is likely to be considerably reduced. In addition, however, to the ordinary deficit we have to add the Panama canal expenditure, an immediate provision of \$38,000,000. Thus what was estimated to be a total deficit of \$72,000,000, is now reduced considerably by the better rates under the present tariff bill."

"By meeting the expenditures of the Panama Canal with the proceeds of bond issues we have enough cash in the treasury to meet the deficit in our ordinary expenses for the current year, and if we meet the expenditures on the Panama canal for the following year in the same way, we shall have a surplus of \$35,000,000, or if the revenue producing capacity of the new tariff keeps up to its present indications, this surplus may be increased to \$50,000,000. On the other hand, if congress proposes to add the expenditures of our government over these estimated for the improvement of the rivers and harbors bill and the construction of federal buildings, under a building act, it will be very easy to consume or exceed the entire surplus."

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TO BUILD SMELTER AT ESQUIMALT

Rumor That Mackenzie and Mann Will Establish Plant as Adjunct to Shipbuilding Industry

A persistent rumor apparently based on a good foundation is current to the effect that the Canadian Northern railway is contemplating the erection of a smelter on the northeastern foreshore of Esquimalt harbor. It is stated that this will be one of the many enterprises in which Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann will engage on the island on conjunction with the building of the Victoria and Barkley Sound railroad. The company is said to be acquiring the iron properties lying along the right-of-way of the west coast railroad and the products from these will be brought to Esquimalt for the purpose of smelting. In the proposed scheme for the establishment of a steel shipbuilding industry at Esquimalt, a matter which H. F. Bullen, one of the managing directors of the B. C. Marine Railway company, is now in Ottawa in connection with, a smelter is a necessary adjunct. At present no steel for shipbuilding purposes is manufactured on the Canadian Pacific coast, or indeed in any part of Canada. Such an industry carried on jointly with a shipbuilding yard would give employment to possibly 1,500 men. The iron deposits in the Sooke and Barkley Sound districts are known to be of a rich character and suitable for the manufacture of such steel as is required for shipbuilding. Some time ago the announcement was made that English capital had been enlisted to provide for such extensions and alterations to the Esquimalt shipbuilding yard as would enable it to build iron vessels built of steel. The project in view is that the vessels required for the new Canadian navy may be built at home ports. Halifax and Esquimalt are the ports most interested in this scheme, and the rumor that the Canadian Northern, or Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann in their capacity as private capitalists, are interested in this venture, is a matter of high importance to Canada's western naval base.

THE CHIEF STATES HIS POSITION

Takes Exception to Remarks Made by School Trustee—Apparent Misunderstanding Is Cleared Up

Because of certain remarks made by Trustee McNeill at the last meeting of the school board, words which he felt reflected upon himself, Fire Chief Davis attended in person the special meeting of the board held last evening where the apparent misunderstanding was straightened out. The chief making it plain that he, in his position as fire marshal, had acted perfectly right on the occasion, to which Trustee McNeill had referred while the latter also made it clear that he had had no intention of reflecting upon the chief and, in his opinion, no reflection had been cast.

Trustee McNeill on that occasion had taken occasion to refer to an account which the Hinton Electric company had sent in to the board for the installation of additional material known as "points" in the fire alarm system in the boys' and girls' Central schools. The contract had been let for a certain number of points but when the account came in to the board eleven points more than had been ordered were charged up. Trustee McNeill had then declared that neither the fire chief nor any other civic official had a right to issue orders to the contractors for installation of additional material. Such order should come from the board. At the request of the chief he was permitted to address the board last night when he explained that because he had been asked to do so by Superintendent Paul, he had visited the Central schools and ordered, in addition to the alarm system being installed, two extra points. This action he, as fire marshal, had a perfect right to take. As to the installation of the other eleven points he knew nothing about them and he had not ordered them. The chief made it clear that he did not have to go to the schools but had only done so at the request of the superintendent.

Trustee McNeill explained that while he was quite sure the chief was perfectly right in acting as he had done he still maintained that the board should give all orders for extra materials required. The account of the Hinton Electric company included the eleven points which were not ordered, meaning an amount of \$38 more than called for in the contract. Evidently the board was a little hasty in paying the company the full amount.

It was decided to call for tenders for a site for the proposed new high school, the site to comprise from eight to ten acres. The site already proposed, that in the neighborhood of the sand pits in Spring Ridge, will be considered along with the others. Tenders must be in by noon on March 3. The board will then select an architect with whom it will consider the various sites tendered on.

The resignation of Miss L. Brown, of the Spring Ridge school, was accepted with regret and applications for a teacher to fill her place will be called for. The leave of absence of Miss Johnston will be extended until the commencement of the fall term. The account with Messrs. Hooper & Watkins, architects of the George Jay school, will be settled with Mr. Hooper according to the arrangement between him and his former partner, Mr. Watkins.

Gyroscopic Compass

The difficulty of using the ordinary magnetic compass on the submarine, where its needle is greatly affected

TAKES EFFECT APRIL FIRST

The announcement is made that the regulation of the Provincial government abolishing all tolls from pedestrian and vehicular traffic on the trans-Fraser bridge at New Westminster, will come into force and effect on the 1st of April next, the fiscal year of British Columbia closing March 31.

by the electrical machinery, is said to have been evaded by a German engineer, Otto Woldley, who has invented a gyroscopic compass which is undergoing trials on French warships and vehicular traffic on the trans-Fraser bridge at New Westminster, will come into force and effect on the 1st of April next, the fiscal year of British Columbia closing March 31.

The Missing Flag.
Between November 28 and January 22 not a single boat flying the American flag entered the Port of London.

SADLY TO JAIL GO THE TRIO

Mourned by the Tootle Bird, Three Noble Romans Must Expiate Their Offence—Cases in Police Court

One by one to the dock they come. The men of the axe, the knife and gun. 'Tis plain they wrangled a merry row. But the axe and the knife are buried now.

And one by one to the cells they go. Sober and friendly and sad and slow. Stefan and Carlos and Rosco thin; They've gathered them in, they've gathered them in.

The tootle bird was in a very sad frame of mind yesterday morning, and he blamed it on the weather. It may have been that his mate was away or that like the famous dickey bird, he had a "rather fat worm in his little inside," but whatever it was, he moped in his niche above the court room door and he blamed it on the weather. After all, the weather is blamed for a lot of things and many of us would be some put to it to dodge the admission of our faults if the poor old reliable weather were not wet or dry, or hot or cold, or something or other, that we could attribute our grouches to. However, with or without cause, the tootle bird was blue, and when Rosco Moir, who, despite his name, came from a sunny lot, was placed in the dock and described to the court as the last of the Mohicans who started the fracas in the Albion hotel several nights ago, which has furnished an item on the police court menu card for three consecutive days now, the tootle bird was not able to refrain from song. First there came Stefan Rogers, foreman of the road gang on the Mill Bay road. Stefan is not a bad man at all and his record was good. His job was worth while and things were going well with him. But Stefan got mixed up in the racket in the Albion and, in self defense, he pulled a gun and was pinched. He was given three months, but this was cut down to one month yesterday, when the magistrate discovered that the code did not allow of a longer term for the offense charged.

After Stefan came Carlos Prince, number two of the fracas fusilliers. Carlos was arraigned the day after Stefan and was charged with drawing a knife during the row. He, too, was sent down for a term.

Yesterday morning Rosco Moir was sentenced to two months. Rosco was the man who started things at the Albion when he suddenly arrived in the bar room waving a large axe. He had nothing to say for himself, but two witnesses appeared against him and he was found guilty.

While Carlos Prince was primarily arraigned on Tuesday morning he was not sentenced until yesterday, he having been remanded against the coming of further evidence. When he was arraigned on Monday he was found by Police Constable Blackstock in a drunken sleep in the snow in a yard on Heywood avenue. It happened that the yard was that of Mayor Morley, but a little thing like that didn't worry Carlos.

JOSEPH MARTIN TALKS

Characteristic Utterances in Commons, In Which He Sharply Lectures Premier Asquith.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—In the Commons, Joseph Martin caught the eye of the speaker late last night, and in his speech maintained that the only reasonable interpretation to put on the premier's pledge, made in Albert hall, that he would ask the King for a guarantee to create, if need be, a sufficient number of new peers to force the veto bill through the Lords.

They had the right so to construe the pledge, and it was no adequate explanation to say now that what Mr. Asquith had in his mind was an act of parliament. No subsequent explanation, though given in perfect good faith, could affect the original statement.

He was a loyal Liberal, and he had been elected to support the present government. He would not, however, have been elected to support merely reform of the Lords, which he understood was contemplated by the government. The government would put him in a false position if they called on him to support a proposition of that kind.

He appealed to the government not to destroy the great weavers placed in their hands simply because of any fear of approaching His Majesty in order to obtain the necessary assurances.

The Chronicle's parliamentary correspondent refers to the extremely able speech of Mr. Martin, who spoke with trenchant power, but in a tone of voice louder than is usually heard in the Commons.

NOTED EXPONENT OF LECTURE RECITALS

Mrs. Harriet R. Labadie of American Fame Is Coming Here on Her World Tour, Reading From Ibsen

One of America's greatest lecture recital exponents in the person of Mrs. Harriet R. Labadie, will be in Victoria on March 15th and will give a reading at the Institute hall under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Labadie is engaged on a world tour, and is at present in California having been to a number of the largest centres in the United States on her way west from Philadelphia. Wherever she has gone she has earned the highest eulogiums, the greatest praise being showered upon her at the different universities she has visited.

Her lecture here will be given under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. A. and a part of the proceeds will be devoted to the building fund of that institution. She has been preceded here by Miss Ida B. Allison, her manager. Mrs. Labadie possesses wonderful dramatic power and a discriminating interpretation. When here she will give a reading of "A Doll's House," by Ibsen.

SPECIAL FROM B. C. TO THE BIG FIGHT

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—Con Jones, president of the Vancouver Lacrosse Club, and a prominent local sports promoter, announced today that he will charter a special train to carry British Columbia fans to the Johnson-Jeffries fight in July. He is already negotiating with Southern Pacific railway officials regarding arrangements for the special. The train will leave here on the night of July 1.

Happy News.
Tutter (looking out in the front yard) —"That dog of yours seems to be very frisky, Miss Clara."
Miss Pinkerly—"Yes, he is simply delighted. Just after you came pa took off his muzzle."

FIGHTING FIRES IS SOLE PROBLEM

Reforestation Will Attend to Itself in This Man's Country, Says Otis Staples from Wycliffe

If forest fires were properly controlled when they occur, and if more efforts were made to prevent them altogether, it would not be necessary to plant trees to prevent the deforestation of Canada's timber lands. This is the belief of Mr. Otis Staples, of Wycliffe, situated eight miles from Cranbrook, on the Kimberly branch of the C. P. R., where he has a timber plant worth nearly half a million dollars and employs about 400 men.

Mr. Staples, an upstanding, rugged example of western manhood, is visiting in Victoria. He and his daughter are guests at the Empress, where they will stay for several days yet. "First vacation I've taken in forty years," said Mr. Staples, and I feel like a new man already. I like it here in Victoria; climate is great, and the hotel accommodation excellent. Town is going ahead too, going ahead fast, I can see that."

Five years ago Mr. Staples moved to British Columbia from his home near Minneapolis, Minn., and took up timber limits. When he arrived there was nothing but belts of pine at what is now called Wycliffe. He built a mill, installed the latest and best equipment, laid fifteen miles of private railroad tracks, purchased two fine locomotives and an outfit of log trucks. Since then he has been going right ahead, cutting his own trees from his own limits, hauling them on his own cars to his own mill and turning them into lumber to be shipped to the prairies and to Chicago. His best customers are Alberta and Saskatchewan, but he sells about \$50,000 worth of lumber in Chicago alone annually.

For fifty years Mr. Staples has been learning things about the lumber business, and he is still studying. He was in Washington early this winter at the time when Chief Forester Pinchot and Secretary Ballinger were pulling off their 40-round contest. Staples had a date to meet Pinchot to talk over timber matters, but when Pinchot got mixed up with Ballinger, Mr. Staples figured that Pinchot had his hands full and he called the date off. Personally, Mr. Staples thinks that Pinchot made an ass of himself. He was over-hearing and swell-headed according to the measurements of him given Mr. Staples by Washingtonians.

Speaking of the prices of lumber, Mr. Staples says the tendency will be upwards. The prices can't be much lower than they were last summer, he says. None of the lumber men made any money last summer, and unless they give it away this year Mr. Staples declares the prices must go up.

Regarding the denuding of the forests, Mr. Staples declared that if the deforestation went on at the clip it was holding now the time would come when the timber resources would be exhausted. In parts of the United States the agitation was in favor of reforestation by artificial planting. Mr. Staples thinks that this would be quite unnecessary if proper care were taken to guard against forest fires. If the fires were prevented he says the trees would seed themselves as fast as they are being cut down. The laws in this province at present, he declared, are not stringent enough. The chief causes of fires are sparks from locomotives, the camp fires of hunters, lightning, and the firing of timber and brush by prospectors to clear rock faces. If laws were directed intelligently at these sources, Mr. Staples thinks the fire evil could be largely wiped out.

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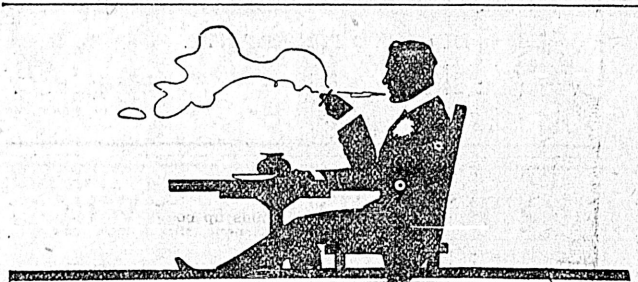
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GRAND TRUNK OBJECTS TO PAYING FOR SEWERS

Claim That Their Original Undertaking to Spend \$200,000 Will Be Exceeded—Estimates Too Low

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. has filed a strong protest with the Provincial government against fulfilling their obligation to pay three quarters of the \$25,000 allowed for the building of the new sewers in section 1, Prince Rupert.

The company claim that they only agreed to spend \$200,000 in all on sewers and sidewalks and, after the sale, upon request of the citizens and the government, to stand their share of the \$41,000—\$16,000 for new walks and \$25,000 for sewers. The new walks were laid at a cost of \$14,000, which was \$2,000 under the estimate, but the sewers have been delayed in consequence of the citizens desiring that this work shall be part of a permanent sewer system.

Meanwhile the sewer work under the original plans laid out before the sale cost much more than was anticipated, making the total expenditure \$234,000 for that work.

The company now objects to paying their portion of the cost of the additional improvements, claiming that their estimates would thereby be exceeded. The Provincial government is pledged to do the work for the city.

FIRST SESSION OF INSURANCE COMMISSION

Will Be Held in Vancouver on March Third—Subsequent Sittings to Be Held Here and in Other Cities

The commission appointed a few weeks ago by the Provincial government to inquire fully into the manner in which the various fire insurance companies are transacting business in British Columbia, will hold its first sitting at Vancouver on March 3d proximo. Sittings will be held subsequently in this city and at Nelson, on March 9th in Victoria and the 15th in Nelson. It is both possible and probable that sittings will also be held in New Westminster and in Penticton. On request, provided circumstances are such as to justify such a step, sittings may also be held at other places than those mentioned.

This commission, as already stated in the Colonist, is composed of Messrs. R. S. Leitch of Nelson (chairman), A. B. Erskine of Vancouver, and D. H. Macdowall of Victoria. According to the terms of the commission it is to enquire into and report upon the question of the advisability of government supervision of the operation and financial standing of fire insurance companies doing business in British Columbia; also it will deal with the question of compelling fire insurance companies writing business in this province to take out licenses and provide security to ensure that all valid claims of insureds for recompense in the event of fire loss shall be paid.

The powers of the commission in dealing with witnesses are as wide as those of a court of law. Any person may be compelled to attend and give evidence under oath, in fact all the evidence given before the commission will be under oath and every bit of testimony will be taken down in shorthand by a secretary who will be appointed in the course of a few days. Any person desiring that any other person should be placed on the witness stand need only apply to any one of the commissioners to ensure—if it is determined that the testimony sought is relevant to the enquiry—the issuance of a subpoena compelling attendance and the giving of testimony.

JORDAN RIVER BILL REPORTED

Private Bills Committee Grants Postponement in Oak Bay—Victoria Matter and Advises Settlement

The Private Bills committee of the legislature met yesterday and approved the bill ratifying the agreement between the city of Victoria and the B. C. Electric Railway Co. relative to the agreement for the establishment and operation of the power plant at Jordan river. The bill of the Grand Trunk Pacific Insurance Co. was also passed upon favorably, after numerous alterations and amendments had been accepted, the name and title of the company being changed to that of the British Empire Insurance Co. In respect to the special privileges sought by the municipality of Oak Bay in connection with the laying of water mains through Victoria City, a further postponement of the committee's decision until Monday next was ordered. The interested parties being advised to "get together" meanwhile, and if possible adjust their differences amicably.

MID-AIR ARMAGEDDON

Discussed in the German Reichstag When Aeroplane Votes Are Submitted

BERLIN, Feb. 23.—Armageddon in the air was discussed in the budget committee of the Reichstag during its consideration of the army estimates. The question was raised by a deputy, who enquired as to the progress made by aviation. He pointed out that aeroplanes had now ascended to heights of upwards of 4,000 feet, and that they

CONVENTION TONIGHT

At the A. O. U. W. hall tonight the annual meeting of the Victoria Conservative association will be held, at which twenty delegates will be appointed to attend the Dominion Conservative convention, which will take place on June 15 and 16 at Ottawa. Local officers also will be elected. Premier McBride, members of the provincial government, and supporters of the administration will be present. The programme includes a number of rousing addresses.

were a great deal cheaper than airships.

Col. Wandel, of the war office, replied that great progress had been made with airships, and this was largely due to the fact that all systems had been equally supported. Germany was in front of all the other countries. The utility of airships was, however, limited by the weather, and should not be over-estimated. Constructors would also have to attain higher speeds, though something in that direction had already been done. A regular air fleet would be too dear, but airmen must have a certain number of airships in the country, and they would probably have to survive at this by granting subsidies to owners of private vessels. Flying machines are very uncertain. They travelled too fast for accurate observations, and at great elevations could not carry a second passenger. But, of course, the war office was following the development of these machines, and supporting promising experiments.

Several members urged that aeroplanes would probably prove an effective means of combating airships, and that close attention should be given to them on that account.

Colonel Wandel was asked whether it was still necessary to purchase foreign motors for German flying machines. He replied that though the home industry furnished excellent motors for airships, its technique was still deficient.

The Vossische Zeitung gives some details of Major Parseval's aeroplane, which is complete, and has been taken to Plau, in Mecklenburg, for its trials. It so far represents an innovation, as it is constructed to carry no fewer than five persons. The motor is a 114 horse power Daimler. The apparatus is of the monoplane type.

ANOTHER BANK LOOTED

Cambridge, Mass., Institution Thrown Into Insolvency by Stealings of Official.

BOSTON, Feb. 23.—Following the discovery that the National City bank of Cambridge had been looted of \$144,000, the doors of the institution were closed today, probably forever.

Six hours after this action had been taken, a warrant was issued for the arrest of George W. Coleman, the book-keeper of the bank, who was last heard from in Kansas City. Coleman is charged with embezzling the funds of the bank.

The institution is insolvent, the capital stock of \$100,000 and the surplus, having been wiped out by the defalcations. The bank carried deposits of \$127,432, mostly the money of small tradesmen.

John L. Bate, formerly governor of Massachusetts, was today appointed receiver of the bank by the comptroller of the currency.

CONSERVATIVES TO ASSEMBLE TONIGHT

Local Association Will Appoint Delegates and Elect Officers—Rousing Speeches by the Premier and Others

Twenty delegates will be appointed to attend the Dominion Conservative convention, to be held at Ottawa on the 15th and 16th of June, as representatives of the Victoria Conservative association, the annual meeting of the latter organization announced for this evening at the A. O. U. W. hall.

That there will be a large attendance at the gathering tonight is assured. Besides the selection of those who will be present at the Ottawa assembly to speak in behalf of British Columbia's capital it is intended to elect local officers and to consider other business of importance.

One of the features will be addresses by Premier McBride, other members of the government, and, in all probability, several other Conservative members. The majority of the latter have signified their intention to attend.

FRANCE'S ARMY

Bill to Purge It of Its Criminal Element Is Introduced by Government

PARIS, Feb. 23.—The French government has lost no time in framing a bill calculated to purge the army of the criminal elements in its ranks. At a meeting of the council of ministers, the under-secretary of state for war, M. Albert Sarraut, obtained the assent of the government to the introduction of proposals which have been drawn up by General Brun, the minister of war, in response to the demand of public opinion throughout France. The new bill proposes to revise the mistaken place of humanitarian legislation by virtue of which criminal offenders of the hooligan type are sent to serve in home regiments, instead of being relegated to some African colony, in which they would be subjected to a sterner and more salutary discipline. The great danger which has aroused the apprehensions of French parents is that the army as a whole was in danger of being contaminated by the presence in its ranks of offenders against the common law. The new bill virtually abrogates the law of 1889 on the recruiting of the French army.

The measure now excludes from the army not merely offenders against the common law, but persons condemned for espionage. It provides for the re-

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legation to the African battalions of offenders against the common law who have been condemned to three months' imprisonment, whereas the law of 1905 had fixed at six months the period required for such relegation. Two other important classes of criminals—old offenders and the class of men who would be dealt with under the criminal law amendment act are to be sent to the African battalions if they have two or more convictions standing against their names, however insignificant those condemnations may be. One of the main objects of the new bill is to expel these men rigorously from the army. The slightest condemnation for this special form of vagabondage, as it is technically called, will entail the relegation of the offender to an African battalion. In order to be allowed to return to France, offend-

ers of this class must either have performed some special act of courage, or be able to show a year's record of good conduct in an African regiment. The minister of war, however, preserves the prerogative of exempting from the provisions of the law such offenders against the common law as have good conduct marks between the date of their release from prison and their incorporation in the army.

This measure will afford great satisfaction to French public opinion, and there can be no doubt that the Chamber of Deputies and the senate will deal with the question before the close of the present legislative period.

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MR. LEONARD TAIT

The reference in last night's evening paper to Mr. Leonard Tait, in connection with his appointment as a Licence Commissioner, was one of the grossest and most absolutely uncalled-for things that has ever appeared, even in that paper. Mr. Tait is a gentleman well and favorably known to the whole community. For a number of years he was a Principal in one of the public schools, and during that time earned the respect, esteem and confidence of parents as well as pupils. He is inspired by a manliness to which his assailants must surely be strangers, and his influence has been always exerted to develop that quality in those with whom he came in contact. He has taken an active, yet modest, part in all public movements, thereby adding to his standing in the community. His life among us has been a clean and honorable one. He has interests in Victoria, where he holds a position of trust and confidence; although it so happens that his home is about a hundred yards beyond the city boundary. Residence in a suburban district has never been held hitherto to disqualify men for municipal positions, as we saw the other day, when Mr. Oliver, of Oak Bay, polled a handsome vote in the Mayoralty election. Neither does residence on the other side of the city boundary disqualify a man from voting for Mayor and Aldermen or upon money bylaws, provided he is the owner or representative of real property in the city. In point of reputation, experience and interest in the well-being of Victoria, Mr. Tait is as well fitted for the position to which he has been appointed as any person who could be named, and the attack upon him was a gross prostitution of the privileges of Journalism. Mr. Tait may have the satisfaction of knowing that his assailant was influenced by the fact that he liked him less, but that he hated Mr. McBride more.

BOY SCOUTS.

Major-General Baden-Powell announces that he is retiring from the army with the intention of devoting all his time and attention to the Boy Scouts. This movement has been a remarkable success. It has taken root all over the British Empire, and in some parts of Europe. The last country to establish a corps is Russia, where the Tsar is personally interesting himself in the matter. In Toronto there are no less than 5,000 scouts, and in order to stir up an interest in the movement in Canada, a party of lads from England are to make a five-weeks tour of the Dominion this summer. The Scouts in England already number 300,000. These lads are receiving training that will do them much good apart altogether from the fact that it will enable them to defend their country in time of need. They will acquire habits of discipline, initiative, and concerted action, as well as get excellent physical exercise in an exceedingly pleasant way. The 300,000 Scouts will be 300,000 men in a few years, who will be ready for military service if occasion arises. A German writer recently ridiculed the Scouts as an illustration of British nervousness; but surely it is better to train up lads, so that when they grow to man's estate they may be capable of doing a soldier's work, than it is to take men, who ought to be contributing to the industrial development, of the country, and compel them to give up useful years of their life to military service.

It is sometimes objected that such organizations as the Boy Scouts creates in the minds of young men the idea that war is the proper solution of international difficulties; but that is a great mistake. While the Scouts are a new thing, as indeed are the Cadet Corps, it is not a new thing in Canada for lads to receive military instruction in school, and we appeal to any, who had the privilege of having it, to say if they will not bear us out in the statement that so far from making them regard war as something to be desired, it taught them the responsibilities of citizenship and the desirability of maintaining peace, when peace can be maintained with honor. We are heartily in favor of the Boy Scouts, Cadet Corps, and all other organizations that will teach boys what to do with a gun and fit them to be what ought to be the ambition of every boy—a citizen who has learned how to defend his home land.

"MANIFEST DESTINY."

There is a good deal of senseless talk just now about Canadian independence. To all intents and purposes Canada is independent. The British government formally recogniz-

ed that when in reply to the Marquis of Lorne, who hesitated about assenting to the National Policy tariff because he thought it interfered with the colonial relation, it directed him to act upon the advice of his ministers. There was a great outcry then against independence; but it was the Liberals who raised it. Canada is a great and growing country. In the very nature of things new questions must arise from time to time and be dealt with in the manner that then seems best from the Canadian point of view, and the same is true of all self-governing Dominions. It is because this is possible without friction that connection between those Dominions and the Mother Country is an enduring one.

What the people who are crying out against independence mean by it, if they mean anything at all, is the separation of Canada from the United Kingdom. A number of years ago there were a lot of the younger generation of politicians in Ontario who used to talk glibly of separation. At the time some people were disposed to take the "Canada First" movement very seriously; but in the tremendous development of the country which set in shortly after, it was allowed to fall into innocuous disuse. We do not suppose there is a public man in the country, who is disposed to entertain seriously the idea of Canada cutting herself loose from Great Britain and establishing herself as a separate nationality. Certainly not one of them has ever advanced such a view, much less given any reasons in favor of it. Doubtless there are people who fear that Canada is drifting towards separation; but this is only a case of history repeating itself. The reason why so few people realize this is because so few people know the history of Canada. When responsible government was established, certain timid souls said separation was at hand. When, in pursuance of the policy of Free Trade, the Trade and Navigation Laws were repealed by the British Parliament, many residents of British North America thought separation imminent. When the Reciprocity Treaty of 1854 was negotiated, many people believed it was the stepping stone to annexation to the United States; and when in 1855 the United States refused to continue the treaty we were assured that annexation would follow. Many of the opponents of Confederation honestly believed that it meant independence within a few years. The Conservatives were charged in the House of Commons by the Liberals with hostility to British connection during the debate on the National Policy. We have been told that the right to negotiate our own treaties was fatal to British connection. Well, British connection has survived all these alleged perils, and it will survive the new one that is alleged to be now threatening it.

If any one should ask how it is possible for Canada to remain connected with the United Kingdom if she has absolute right to make her own laws, define her own policies, negotiate her own treaties, maintain her own army and navy, and generally discharge the functions of an independent nation, we do not know that we could give a categorical answer. But we might ask in return how long Canada would remain connected with the United Kingdom if the British Parliament made our laws, defined our policies, negotiated our treaties, maintained our armed forces on sea and land, and generally discharged all the functions of nationality now vested in the Canadian Parliament? If the history of the British people at home or beyond the seas establishes one thing more than another, it is that what, for lack of a better name, we may call the genius of the British race has proved equal to every emergency that has arisen; and we may therefore reasonably infer that it will not fail in dealing with those that may hereafter arise. At the present rate of progress, Canada will have in twenty years a population of at least 20,000,000, or a greater number than Great Britain had when "she stood alone against all the world in arms." If we venture to look forward to that time and see Canada in the full strength of nationhood, under the same crown and the same flag as the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, standing, with her own army and her own fleet ready at the command of an Imperial Council, in which she and they will have a voice, to send them to defend the frontiers of the Empire, anywhere on sea and land, the picture is one that we need not despair of seeing realized. And when that time comes, and Canada, powerful on land and sea, is able to take her proper place, as the oldest daughter of this Mother of Nations, side by side with the land, which has ever stood for human progress and liberty, and the other Dominions beyond seas in a great League of Peace, the British Empire will have fulfilled its destiny; for we believe that, in the Providence of God, outposts of the British race have been established in all quarters of the earth in order that there may come a time when men everywhere shall be free to pursue happiness undismayed by the danger of impending war.

Tonight the annual meeting of the Victoria Conservative Association will be held. There doubtless will be a full attendance, and there ought to be, for although the Conservative party is so much in the ascendant, the voters associated with it should take as keen interest in the association as if the con-

trary were the case. It is when a political party is strongest that the members ought to be most active. The fact that Mr. McBride will be present at the meeting will add greatly to its interest.

For the information of new comers it may be mentioned that there has not been as much snow in Victoria at any one time since 1893, when upwards of three feet fell. On that occasion snow fell every day for more than two weeks, and the thermometer at one time reached zero.

Some little confusion arises in Canada from the fact that we use the word "Premier" both in respect to the leader of the Government at Ottawa, and the leaders of the several provincial governments. How would it be to confine the use of Premier to the latter, and call the former Prime Minister?

The latest prominent person to embark in Journalism is Prince George of Serbia, who has started a paper in Vienna to preach the doctrine of absolutism, and incidentally to abuse every person who happens to have incurred his enmity. Prince George is described as a man of incomparable cruelty and brutality. The stories of his wickedness recall those told of Nero. Fear is expressed in Serbia that he may return from his banishment and foment serious trouble.

Sir James Whitney felt it necessary a few days ago to make public a statement to the effect that it is not proposed to introduce the Single Tax principle in Ontario. He said the proposed new assessment law will be in accordance with the report of a committee that has been engaged in investigating the subject of taxation during the past year. Great interest will attach to the report when presented. Its recommendations may be found to be applicable to some of the other provinces as well as Ontario.

Dr. Charles William Wallace, of Nebraska, has been delving into ancient English records, and has discovered an affidavit made by William Shakespeare in 1612. Shakespeare was called as a witness in a cause, wherein suit was brought to recover a marriage portion, and he says among other things: "And further this deponent sayeth, that the said defendant's wife did sollicit and entreat this deponent to move and persuade the said complainant to effect the said marriage." Therefore the great dramatist had a hand in preparing tragedies not for the stage alone, but in real life.

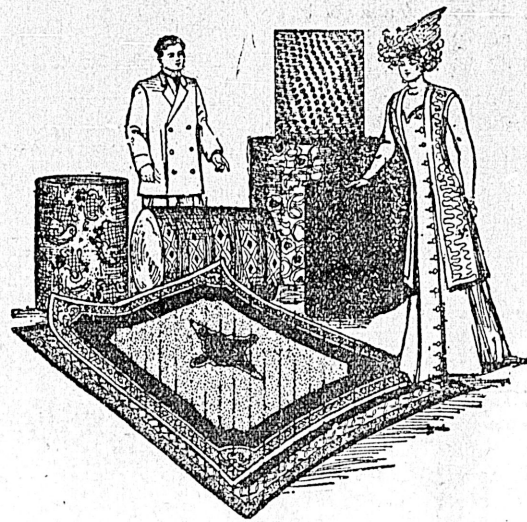
We have before us two cartoons. One is from Punch; the other from an eastern contemporary. The effort of the artist in the latter case seems to have been to render the men caricatured personally obnoxious; in the former the object was to bring out an idea. The consequence is that the former has all the force of an argument, while the latter is simply coarse and rather disgusting. As a rule our local cartoonists avoid the coarse, and if they are not up to the standard of Punch, we can well understand why. A cartoon to be effective should avoid personal ridicule.

The campaign against the Senate is gathering strength. The London Free Press (Conservative) says it is like the barren fig tree, and if it will not bring forth fruit it ought to be cut down. The Montreal Witness (Liberal) says the "lovers of things honorable" will soon insist upon an end being made to the present method of filling senatorial vacancies. "It is worse than a farce," says the Witness, "that half the time the Second Chamber should be a mere echo of the First, and half the time an uncompromising enemy of the First." The Witness was one of those papers that criticized the manner in which Conservative governments filled senatorial vacancies; but it says the Liberal government is just as culpable. Things are beginning to look as though the constitution of the Senate may become a real issue in Canadian politics. There is fully as much reason for Senatorial reform as there is for a reform in the House of Lords.

Just when the world had been assured that all we have been told about the canals in Mars was the result of optical illusion, Professor Lowell, of Flagstaff Observatory, Arizona, tells us that a new canal has been opened, and that he has a photograph of it. The new "canal" was not visible last May, but was visible last September. This, Professor Lowell thinks, proves that intelligent beings were at work on Mars last summer. The new canal is about 1,000 miles long and extends from what has been regarded as the great region of vegetation through a region which has hitherto been regarded as barren. If the canal is for purposes of irrigation, there will, it may be assumed, be a change in the appearance of the country which it traverses, and if this proves to be the case, it will be difficult to avoid the conclusion that Mars is inhabited by a race of beings, who are well advanced in civilization. The only difficulty about these "canals" is that comparatively few people have been able to see or to photograph them. Of course, this proves nothing. It is like the case of the fellow who, when the magistrate told him that three people saw him steal a sheep, replied that he could find three thousand people who did not see him do it.

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Theosophist Bellinghamstranger Snitzelbogenhoffer—of course that wasn't his real name; we just call him that for short—when he came out on the verandah of his house on Oak Bay avenue yesterday morning and took a glance around the landscape, hastily withdrew inside again and took a look at the calendar. He put on his over-shoes, after searching for them in the garret, and sallied forth once more. He descended the steps—in a sitting posture—and, on all fours, glared about at the blanket of The Beautiful that covered everything. Then his red face crinkled into smiles and he exclaimed joyfully:

"Oh well, better as rain iss it, for vunce!"

And this philosophical view taken by Mr. Snitzelbogenhoffer was the view taken by Victorians generally yesterday when they awoke to find the city receiving the caresses of the tail end of a No'Easter when spread its loving grasp from Port Simpson to San Francisco and all through the northwest of Canada and the United States during the last three days. The storm locally was mild compared with the effects it produced in other places. Snow began to fall gustily early on Tuesday night and continued until after midnight when there was a slight lull. Then the flakes began to meander down like feathers until well on in the early forenoon. Altogether a precipitation of six inches was recorded.

When the early trams of the B. C. Electric company started from the barns they looked for trouble but, as it turned out, they were mistaken in their expectations. The snow was very light in quantity and, although the early cars were considerably delayed especially on the Foul Bay and Esquimalt lines, it was not necessary to use the plow and once the path was broken the later cars ran well up to schedule.

As the day advanced hastily resurrected sleighs of all types began to make their appearance. Horses, ambling obligingly but with amazed expressions in their eyes, hauled gay parties of men and maids bent upon seizing this sole opportunity of enjoying one sleigh-ride. Some had bells and some hadn't, some looked like sleighs and others looked like nothing in particular. As for the occupants of some of the latter it should be recorded in fairness that they sang, explanatorily:

"Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way

This queer-looking thing we're riding in is meant to be a sleigh;

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way

Excuse us please for saying 'bells,' we could only find one today."

It was a great day for the small boys and many a young and tender arm will be sore this morning as a result of the snowball tossing it did yesterday. And if some playful youngsters who directed the hard-packed globes too fairly, receive their just deserts tonight arms will not be the only sore features of small-boy anatomy.

During the afternoon yesterday several young men and women who had ferreted out some of the long-forgotten Klondike sleds common enough in Victoria years ago, enjoyed a few hours of coasting on the hills adjacent to the city.

Taken altogether the snowfall did no damage in Victoria or vicinity and although the fall is reported to have been heavier outside the city than it was within the urban limits the general effect of it will be beneficial.

Late yesterday afternoon the temperature moderated and light snow which had begun in mid-afternoon changed to rain which drizzled down during the evening making short work of the snow. Mr. Baynes Reed, of the meteorological bureau stated last evening that it was likely that the rain would turn to snow again during the night but that fine weather would not be long delayed.

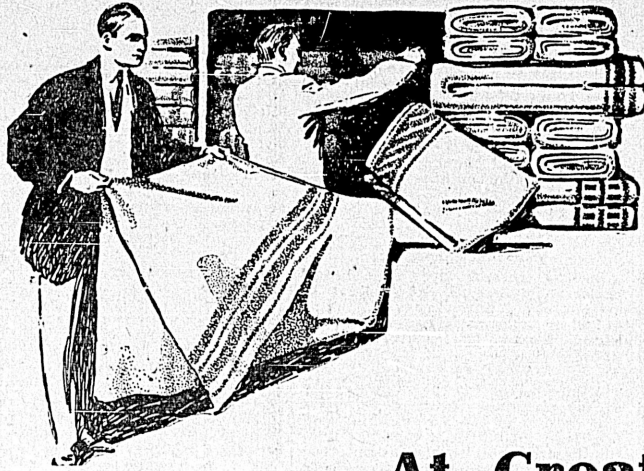
The snow fell most heavily in Seattle and at other points on the mainland from points on the sound to points in the upper interior than it did on Vancouver Island.

PEACE IN THE BALKANS

No Signs of Serious Disquietude Noticed From the Trouble Ground of Europe

VIENNA, Feb. 23.—Notwithstanding unsatisfactory rumors from Athens, Sofia, and Constantinople, no signs of serious disquietude concerning the Balkan situation are yet observable in competent quarters here. The possibilities are thought to be outweighed by the probability that trouble will be prevented. Statements published in London that Austro-Hungarian troops are being concentrated near the Sanjak of Novi Bazaar receive an emphatic denial from the Austro-Hungarian war office, and apart from the authority attaching to such a denial, it must be said that nothing of a nature to call for any movements of troops in Bosnia and Herzegovina has yet become known in the Austrian capital. In the Politische Correspondenz, a member of the Turkish government further declared the reports of Turkish military preparations against Bulgaria to be devoid of foundation.

During the next few weeks and months, disquieting reports from various Balkan centres are likely to be frequent. It is desirable that they should be received with equanimity in Western Europe. A display of nervousness in the English or French press is often the, albeit erroneously, interpreted as a sign of nervousness on the part of governments, and as such tends to increase unrest in the Balkans themselves. As far as is known here, there is no reason to believe complications to be inevitable or even probable, during the coming spring and summer but it is certain that tranquillity in western public opinion would help to steady the situation in the Balkans, especially if the Great Powers, including Austro-Hungary and Russia, can establish between themselves relations such as to ensure concordant treatment of any emergency that may arise.



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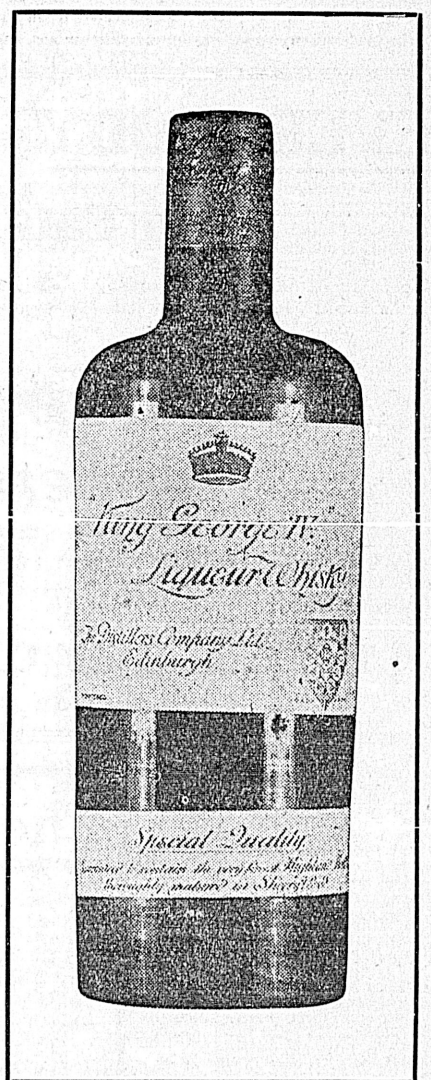
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NEWS OF THE CITY

To Speak on Tibet

An illustrated lecture will be delivered in St. Aidan's Presbyterian church, M. T. tonight at 8 o'clock on the subject of Tibet.

Building Permit

The Oak Bay municipality has issued a building permit to J. Brown for the construction of a six-roomed house on Willows road, at a cost of \$2,500.

Will Erect Dwelling

Building permits have been issued to M. Gillespie for a dwelling to be erected on Johnson street, to cost \$1,800, and to Gong Gung, for a wood shed on Mason street, to cost \$200.

Foresters' Social

A meeting of Court Columbia, 834, of the Canadian Order of Foresters will be held in the Sir William Wallace Hall tonight at 8 o'clock. Routine business will be transacted, after which a card tournament will be held.

Sees Many Advances

C. A. Baskerville, 183 Donald street, Winnipeg, is a guest at the Empress hotel. Mr. Baskerville says that since his last visit three years ago he has seen many changes and improvements in and about the city, which is greatly pleased with.

Heavy Travel.

The travel to Victoria continues very heavy, despite the season of the year. Last night every available room at the Empress hotel was occupied, and all the other principal hotels are well filled. During no previous winter has such a condition of affairs prevailed here.

Ladysmith Forges Ahead

Mayor Dier, of Ladysmith, is registered at the Empress. Mayor Dier states that the Smelter City has just completed a complete sewerage system and a municipal owned electric lighting plant, both utilities giving the utmost satisfaction. Business is brisk in all lines, and the city is steadily pushing forward.

Amending Dying Assessments.

The bill to amend the dying assessment act, which was introduced by message in the legislature yesterday, is almost wholly in the direction of improving administration machinery. Several clerical errors are set right, and an improvement in forms is expected to reduce the clerical work in connection with the act by about one-third.

Communication With Stewart

Consequent on the representations made by the Board of Trade, the C.P.R. Coast S.S. service will after February 20th include Stewart as a port of call in the schedule dealing with northern ports. The Princess Beatrice, sailing weekly from Vancouver, will make a call at the mining townsite when sufficient business is offering.

Harbor Improvements

The special committee of the Board of Trade on harbor improvements will meet T. C. Sorby, secretary of the Inner Harbor Association, this morning at 10:30 o'clock, when he will explain the latest proposals for improving the waterfront between Raymond's wharf and the docks of the Victoria Chemical Company. The committee will then prepare a report for presentation to the council of the board.

Proceedings in Chambers.

In chambers yesterday a winding up order relative to the service of notice of petition was made in the case of M. R. Smith & Co. by Mr. Justice Morrison. Re Emma Orr deceased, letters of administration were granted. The Island Investment Co. was given leave to file a plan under the Official Map Act and letters of administration were granted to the late Alexander Davidson, D. M. Eberts to act without bonds.

Ask Action Regard Roads.

Resolutions passed at the recent annual meeting of the Ashcroft Convention, have been received by the government and will have careful consideration. By one of these resolutions the government is asked to alter the location of the road up Barnes' Hill to secure a lower and more convenient grade, which it is said can be accomplished at a trifling cost. Another resolution asks that the department of public works erect sign-posts on all highways where roads cross a fork.

Addition to Empress.

A large amount of the material to be used in the construction of the addition to the Empress hotel has arrived. The Vancouver Island wood and the stone from Bedford, Ind., is already on the scene, and J. L. Skene, the contractor, expects to start operations as soon as the dry weather ensues. The contract calls for the construction of the first three stories by July 1st, and the hotel management is hopeful of having in use some thirty odd extra bedrooms to cater to the heavy travel which is expected during the summer months.

To Improve Trunk Roads

Assurance has been given by Hon. Mr. Cotton that ample provision has been made by the government for the immediate improvement and also the upkeep of trunk roads in the vicinity of Vancouver. Mayor Taylor of the Terminal City wrote to Premier McCreight asking for an appointment with the executive council for a delegation of representatives of the municipalities of Vancouver, New Westminster, Point Grey, South Vancouver and Burnaby, with reference to the question of improvement of the trunk roads in the vicinity of Vancouver. The premier wired that the members of the government would be very busy for some time to come and advised a conference with Hon. Mr. Cotton, whom he had advised by wire. He felt sure that everything could be satisfactorily arranged by representations to Hon. Mr. Cotton, which representations, he gave assurance, would receive the fullest consideration. Mayor Taylor accordingly conferred with Mr. Cotton, who made the above quoted statement.

Fees Set by Companies Act.

The table of fees introduced into the Companies Act by way of amendment during the present session of the legislature, is interesting. Where the nominal capital does not exceed \$10,000 the fee for registration shall be \$25. After that the scale is fixed thus: For every \$5,000 of nominal capital, or part of \$5,000, after the

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., February 23, 1910.

SYNOPSIS.

A fresh disturbance is developing over the Queen Charlotte islands which will probably cause strong winds or gales on the outside waters and the straits. Rainfall has been general from Vancouver Island southward to California and snow inland on the higher levels. It has been warmer on the American coast. East of the Rockies the pressure continues abnormally high in the Canadian provinces with temperatures at or below zero at all stations.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	26	36
Vancouver	21	31
New Westminster	22	30
Kamloops	6	20
Barkerville	4	12
Fort Simpson	11	28
Atlin	21 below 16 b.	
Dawson, Y. T.	24 below 12 b.	
Calgary, Alta.	26 below 4	
Winnipeg, Man.	28 below 6 b.	
Portland, Ore.	26	56
San Francisco, Cal.	50	..

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Thursday:
Victoria and vicinity: Increasing southerly or westerly winds, unsettled with rain and stationary or higher temperature.

Lower Mainland: Moderate to fresh winds stronger on the straits, unsettled with rain and stationary or higher temperature.

WEDNESDAY.

Highest	36
Lowest	26
Mean	31
Rain and snow	.33 inch.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria meteorological office, 16th to 22nd February, 1910:

At Victoria there were registered 15 hours 12 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature 40.5 on 20th; lowest 19.0 on 21st; rain .12 inch; snow 3 inches; total .72 inch.

Vancouver—Bright sunshine 29 hours 24 minutes; highest 41 on 19th; lowest 13 on 22nd; snow 12.10 inches; total pre. 1.21 inches.

New Westminster—Highest 40 on 18th, 19th; lowest 12 on 22nd; precipitation .88 inch.

Kamloops—Highest 30 on 19th; lowest 8 below zero on 22nd; snow 2.40 inch.

Barkerville—Highest 29 on 17th, 18th; lowest 24 below zero on 21st; snow 4.60 inches.

Fort Simpson—Highest 38 on 16th; lowest 12 on 22nd; rain 1.06 inches.

Atlin—Highest 8 on 16th; lowest 32 below zero on 19th, 22nd; snow .40 inch.

Dawson—Highest 2 below zero on 16th; lowest 36 below zero on 19th, 22nd; snow 1 inch.

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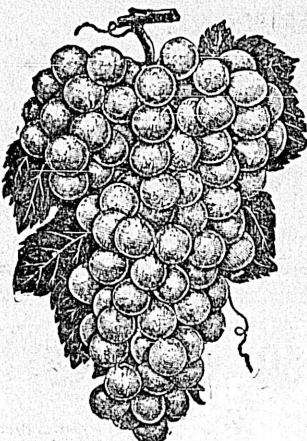
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NEWS OF THE CITY

Memorial Meeting.

The Francis Willard Memorial meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Wm. Grant. It is hoped there will be a full attendance of all members. Strangers are invited.

Irishmen to Celebrate

To prepare plans to duly celebrate March 17th (St. Patrick's Day), a committee consisting of Bennett Thompson, James Daly, C. J. Paget Ford, F. J. Dundas and A. St. George (secretary) has been formed. The committee will make arrangements for a banquet to be held on the evening of the 17th prox., at which a programme, confined to Irish songs and recitations, will be given. A number of speeches are being arranged for and an effort will be made to have the chair taken by the Hon. Richard McBride.

Reserved for Rupert.

At a public meeting held in Prince Rupert recently, a resolution was passed requesting Mr. William Manson, M. P., to use his influence with the government, to have all the unrecorded waters in the Ktada river and in the Tsimpsean peninsula reserved for the future use and benefit of the city of Prince Rupert. This meeting was held on Friday, two weeks ago today, and by the following Wednesday Mr. Manson had the pleasure of notifying his constituents that the desired reservation had been made. The action is taken in view of the possibility of Prince Rupert in future requiring water for power or for general municipal purposes.

Lectures on B.C.

The Men's Own Social Club of the First Congregational Church and the friends of the organization, on Tuesday night in an enjoyable fashion, the occasion being the delivery of an interesting lecture by R. W. Clark on Scenic British Columbia. Excellent views of scenes on Vancouver Island and in Victoria were thrown on a screen, while points of interest on the mainland were also dealt with by the lecturer. During the evening Mr. Clark rendered Sir Edgar Edgar's "Land of Hope and Glory," from the Coronation Ode. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks, moved by A. C. Hounsell and seconded by St. Johnson, was tendered to the lecturer. George Carter presided at the meeting.

Housed at City Hall

Hereafter the headquarters of the B. C. Agricultural Association will be the mayor's office at the city hall. With the resignation of the secretary, J. E. Smart, accepted, the office fixtures, books, accounts, trophies, etc., belonging to the association have been removed from his office and installed at the city hall, where yesterday afternoon the committee room and made the place look like a second hand store in distress. Silver cups, mugs, and other marks of superiority of prize Clydesdales, Ayrshires, etc., etc., lined the mantelpiece of the committee room, while other material telling of the former glories of the annual shows are in abundance.

TO CONSTRUCT ROAD

Provincial Government Will Probably Build One From Malakwa to Revelstoke.

It is announced upon excellent authority—although not officially—that the provincial government has decided upon the early construction of a road connecting Revelstoke with Malakwa. The construction of this road was urged by the Revelstoke board of trade, sometimes during December last, when Hon. Mr. Taylor was in Revelstoke, and it has since been pressed by Mr. Shaw, M. P. for Kamloops, in whose riding the Malakwa district is. The road, it is stated, will be of great advantage to the settlers of the Malakwa in bringing them into direct touch with the Revelstoke market. As Malakwa is being connected with the east with the Okanagan valley at Mara, the opening of this road between Revelstoke and Malakwa will give a through route between Revelstoke and the Okanagan valley. The new road promises to become a very popular tourist route, taking visitors through the magnificent scenery in Eagle Pass, and making convenient holiday trips to the beautiful lakes between Clanwilliam and Griffin lake, where, in the summer months the fishing is unsurpassed. The Eagle pass district contains much—splendid land, and will afford homes for a large number of settlers.

CASE IS RE-OPENED

Emerson Lumber Co., to show Cause Why Licenses Should Not Be Cancelled.

The case of J. S. Emerson, president of the Emerson Lumber Co., charged with violation of the provisions of the B. C. Timber Manufacturers Act by selling British Columbia logs in Bellingham, has been re-opened at the request of the district attorney who is permitted to attend and offer evidence.

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by witness before the Executive Council on Monday the 9th March proximo. Mr. Emerson was not in attendance when this matter was taken up last Monday, and cancellation of a portion of his special licenses ordered. He claimed that he had not received sufficient time to defend his actions, and the government re-opened the case last any possibility of injustice might be entertained. Evidence was given as to the seizure of the logs exported to the United States by Inspector Andrew Haslam and other government officials upon this testimony the government decided to exercise the power of confiscation provided under the Timber Manufacturers Act. A similar case against a special license holder named Potts is also to be dealt with when Emerson's case is reopened a fortnight hence.

A suit is being tried at Winnipeg in which G. A. S. Potts at one time practicing law in this city as a member of the then firm of Potts, Peters & Potts, seeks to recover \$20,000 from the C.P.R. Co. for services alleged to have been performed in connection with the settlement of the machinists' strike in 1908. Potts is at present in the hospital in the Manitoba city, at the point of death, rapid pneumonia having seized upon him.

RICHARDS VS. VERRINDER

Case Against Member of Dental Board Will Now Go to Trial.

After tossing court orders back and forth at each other for some time the case of Richards vs. Verrinder is likely to go to trial now as the result of the refusal of the court of appeal at Vancouver the other day to overrule the order of Chief Justice Hunter of the supreme court affecting the examination for discovery of the defendant, and the order on Monday last of Mr. Justice Morrison directing the defendant to answer questions in discovery, to produce documents and books and file all papers with the registrar.

This case is one in which Dr. B. C. Richards, a son of Sheriff Richards, charges Dr. R. Ford Verrinder, a dentist of this city, with illegally entering into collusion as a member of the dental board for the province to prevent him from obtaining a license to practice in this province.

W. J. Taylor, K. C., of Eberts & Taylor, is appearing for the plaintiff and H. D. Helmecken, K. C., for the defendant. The plaintiffs obtained a court order some time ago, after there had been considerable delay in the action, directing the defendant to appear for examination in discovery. The defendant appeared and declined to answer questions or produce documents. Following this the defendant applied from the order of the chief justice. The appeal court dismissed the appeal with costs and on Monday Mr. Justice Morrison granted a new order directing the defendant to answer questions in discovery and to produce the necessary documents within five days, defendant to pay the costs.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Henry Croft left last night on a business trip to Vancouver.

J. H. Oldfield went over to Vancouver last night.

Mr. Clarke Mawley has returned from a visit to the Terminal City.

Justin Brooke left last night via the Northern Pacific for San Francisco, Cal.

E. J. Palmer, manager of the Chalmers lumber mill, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

Mr. John McInnis, ex-M. P. for Grand Forks is expected to visit the capital today.

Mr. John McGillivray, of the Ashcroft hotel, is paying a visit to cost friends.

Mr. R. F. Oglesby, of the Nanaimo staff of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, has been transferred to this city.

W. R. McFarlane went over to Vancouver last night on the Princess Charlotte.

E. E. Blackwood, local agent of the Northern Pacific railway, went over to Seattle last night.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Co., went over to Vancouver last night on the Princess Charlotte.

Commander Edwards, of H. M. S. Algerine, Chief Engineer J. H. Nichols and Gunner E. H. Capel, together with eight seamen, leave tonight on their return to England.

Mrs. H. Butler, the Misses Wise and Miss Cardozo left last night via the Northern Pacific for New York, whence they will sail on the Cunard liner Mauretania on an extended trip to the old country.

Mr. J. D. Meekison, one of the foremost citizens of Strathroy, Ont., is paying a first visit to the West and Victoria. It is probable that Mr. Meekison will remove to British Columbia with his family in the early spring, taking up his residence at Vancouver.

Among the guests on the floor of the house yesterday was Mr. Henry Nicholson of Rock Creek, a pioneer of pioneers among the residents of the Similkameen. With the single exception of Mr. Richter, Mr. Nicholson was the first settler in the Similkameen, where he took up his residence in 1872, engaging in stock raising to which he has since devoted himself with very considerable success.

AMUSEMENTS

Mrs. Leslie Carter.

One of the biggest dramatic treats of the season will be enjoyed when the distinguished emotional artist, Mrs. Leslie Carter, will be seen here on Friday, February 25th, in her new play "Vasta Herno," written especially for her by Edward Peple, author of "The Price of Love." The role in which Mrs. Carter appears is a marked departure from the roles she has heretofore portrayed in "Zaza," "Mme. DuBarry," "The Heart of Maryland," and "Kassia." It is in fact the first time in many years that there-goers have had an opportunity to see the actress in modern costume. "Vasta Herno," it is said is a modern problem play, dealing with a striking theme in an unusual way.

Mrs. Carter has always been surrounded by a capable supporting company, and the cast this season, it is

said, is no exception to the rule. Her leading man is B. J. Ratcliffe, and others in her support are Charles Clary, Louis Mylles, William H. Shay, Alice Butler, Florence Malone and Lily Cahill.

A Perfect Poem

"The Rape of the Lock" is not merely the most felicitous and characteristic of its author's productions; an eminent critic has said that, "taken all in all, it is the most perfect poem in the language." Lowell, from whom this remark is quoted, did not, of course, mean that Pope's genius was comparable, in what concerns the essentials of poetry, with the greatest or even with many of the secondary names in English literature. Indeed, he commends a criticism of Addison's which tacitly excludes him from the position of poet in the highest sense. But he considers that in this poem Pope, unquestionably a genius in his own kind, found a subject exactly level with his genius. "As truly as Shakespeare is the poet of man as God made him, dealing with great passions and in great motives, so truly is Pope the poet of society, the delineator of manners, the exposé of those motives which may be called acquired, whose spring is in habits and institutions of purely worldly origin." Or, as another American critic has put it rather less kindly: "In 'The Rape of the Lock' Pope has caught and fixed forever the atmosphere of the age. . . . no great English poem is at once so brilliant and so empty, so artistic and yet so devoid of the ideals on which all high art rests."

Such a work as "Faust" is far less "perfect" in Lowell's sense than "The Rape of the Lock"; so brilliant, so faithful and so complete a rejection of an epoch was only possible perhaps on a lower plane, where an artificial style was brought to the description of a correspondingly artificial society and ways of thought. Such a work must always be in the truest sense unique.—From Pope's "Rape of the Lock," edited by George Holden and published by the Clarendon Press.

Charles B. Hanford.

At the Victoria Theatre on Monday, Feb. 28, F. Lawrence Walker presents Mr. Charles B. Hanford in the farcical comedy "The American Lord" by Geo. H. Broadhurst and Charles T. Dazey. Mr. Hanford is surrounded with a large and efficient company with Miss Marie Dronah as his leading feminine support. The story of the play is as follows: The principal personage is John Bruenster, hotel man and good fellow. Bruenster is an out-and-out American. So well does he stand with his fellows that the convention then in session is likely to nominate him for Congress. While his friends are yelling at the mention of his name he is notified that he is the lineal descendant of Lord Bruenster and heir to the title and estates. The entire thing is a joke to the old fellow. What, give up Congress and all that the position means? Not on your life. But the property is considerable, no sane man would let it go by, and the result is that much against his will Bruenster agrees to go to England and look after his estates. His son falls in love with a young English girl, and he finds himself, at this time of life, too, feeling uneasy in the presence of a fine Irish widow. The straightening out of all these affairs is said to furnish many entertaining complications.

Animated Pictures.

At the Victoria theatre this evening the animated pictures will again hold the boards as well as Saturday evening and afternoon, the latter being a special matinee to which children need be admitted for half price. The show this week has been drawing good crowds and the remainder of the week is expected to prove no exception. For next week the management is arranging for a grand amateur contest and a prize are presenting a valuable diamond ring which is on view in Venger's window on Government street. The prize is a very valuable one and is expected to bring out an entire new lot of competitors, several already having signified their intention of competing. Any one desiring to compete may do so by leaving their names at the box office, any time before Tuesday noon.

Pantages Theatre.

Besides the production of "The Pawnbroker" being a comedy bubbling over with mirth provoking, almost sidesplitting situations and clever lines the Armstrong company introduce several special numbers that would cause any audience to sit up and pay particular attention. Mr. King in his great Hebrew monologue and singing character specialty, George White as Maggie Mulligan and her bunch of Drovers' Spellers; Jack Dresden and his baby dolls; and the chorus offering all greatly enhance the amusement value of "The Pawnbroker."

OBITUARY NOTICES

McCune

The funeral of the late Thomas McCune, who died on Saturday last at the St. Joseph's hospital, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the undertaking rooms of the Victoria Undertaking Company to Ross Bay cemetery.

Green

The body of James Thomas Green, one of the highly respected employees of the V. & W. End Grocery Company, who died a victim of injury received through the explosion of firecrackers, was laid peacefully to rest in the Ross Bay cemetery yesterday afternoon. The respect in which the late young man was held is shown by the huge number of friends who were present at the services; the funeral being held at the largest held in the city for a long time. The employees of the firm with which he was connected, attended the funeral in a body along with the members of the I. O. O. F., of the St. Andrew's Society. The Daughters of Scotland and the Sisters of Rebecca also attended.

Impressive services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. E. Campbell in the chapel of the B. C. Undertaking Parlors at 3 o'clock, prior to the departure of the cortege to the cemetery. With Mr. Gilles presiding at the organ, the following hymns were rendered: "Nearer My God to Thee," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and the "Dead March in Saul."

Headed by the pipers' band the funeral proceeded slowly to the cemetery, where services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell and Bro. M. H. Clacher, acting Noble Grand of the Oddfellows Victoria lodge, No. 1, assisted by W. J. Gower, acting chaplain. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: S. J. Heald, J. Logie, H. M. Simmons and William Jeffrey representing the West End Grocery Company, and L. W. Bick, of the Oddfellows, and John Anderson, representing the St. Andrew's Society.

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I remain, Yours sincerely

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late young man: Employees West End Grocery, wreath; Mrs. Shaw, wreath; Miss Kate Paterson, spray; Miss A. Grant, spray; His Grandmother, spray; Mrs. W. P. Pinner, spray; J. Hamilton and W. Richards, wreath; A. L. Carter, wreath; Employees Saunders Grocery, wreath; Employees Copas & Young, wreath; St. Andrew's Society, wreath; the Daughters of Scotland and others, wreath.

Pugilist Dies of Injuries
COALINGA, Cal., Feb. 23.—"Ginger" Williams, a young pugilist, of Visalia, died in a hospital here today from injuries suffered yesterday during a fight with "Kid" Kenneth, of Bakersburg. Williams was knocked through the ropes in the third round, and in falling his head struck a projecting board, fracturing his skull at the base of the brain.

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Here and There

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Not only will this magnificent gift benefit the patients of the hospital, by placing at the disposal of the surgeons the best equipment that modern science has invented, but it will make the city a place to which skillful and able surgeons will resort.

The time cannot be long before Victoria must build a new hospital. The present building is not only becoming too small, but is in need of such extensive repairs that it has been publicly said by those in a position to know that the expenditure of more money upon it would be foolish.

The erection of the hospital must, of course, be a public undertaking, but private beneficence could help to make our new hospital the best in the province. Toronto and Montreal hospitals owe much to the gifts of rich and public spirited men. Why should not Victoria?

If Andrew Carnegie had been satisfied with making a great fortune, his name would soon have been forgotten. But by spending it he has made his name known to millions who would never have heard of the great steel magnate. It has become the custom to sneer at the Carnegie libraries, but it is so certain that the encouragement given to the habit of reading among the citizens is a thing of little value?

He has shown his sympathy with education in a kindly way by penning those who spent their lives as professors in colleges, or the families they have left behind them. Many colleges have been helped by his endowments though others have refused to accept the condition on which the money was granted. To place organs in churches whose congregations were too poor to afford them was another of the pleasures the millionaire was able to indulge in.

He has founded a hero fund by which he not only rewards those who risk their lives in the service of others but, what is more important, provides for those depending upon them in case their lives are lost. One wonders sometimes whether the rewarding of such deeds as the saving of another's life is true philanthropy. No greater reward could be gained than the success of the deed of self-devotion.

Is the generous impulse something that can be fostered by material gain? "Greater love hath no man than that he lay down his life for his friend," was said long ago. And if love, whether for the individual or the race, is not the motive, it is doubtful if deeds of heroism will ever be performed. It is possible that the thought of wife and children may sometimes make man pause before he throws away his life. Yet it is often true that the married men who go down into a mine after an explosion to rescue their mates or risk their lives in a wrecked train or sinking ship. Bravery and self-devotion are among the things which money cannot buy.

On the other hand, is it good for the individual to think too much of the virtue of any deed of self-sacrifice? This year two little Canadian girls were among those who won the Carnegie medal for heroism. Their pictures were published in almost every newspaper on the continent and the stories were told in what must have seemed to the children terms of extravagant praise. Will they be the better for this publicity? Of the wisdom of providing for survivors there can be no question.

But these gifts are small in comparison to the twelve millions with which Carnegie has endowed the great institution at Washington having for its object research and the application of knowledge to the improvement

of mankind. Organized in 1902, there is already in this institution a small army of learned men occupied in making experiments and accumulating knowledge in many fields. It is the power for good that wealth can give that makes rich men to be envied.

A bulletin from the Inland Review department shows that jams made in Canada for commercial purposes are fairly pure, 116 samples were examined. One was pronounced adulterated, and seven doubtful. The regulation says that at least 45 pounds of fruit shall be used to 55 pounds of sugar. When the purity is more than seven per cent. of the jam can be called in question there is much room for improvement. Is there not a chance for clever housewives in this provision to supply at least the local market with pure jams? There are many in Victoria who are adepts in the art of preserving fruit. It pays to make it for home consumption. Why should not it not be profitable to sell it to the public at a reasonable price? The store sold last year over the preserves factories some of the jams in Canada would not lead one to believe that the confections prepared in them could be compared with that which is served in Victoria homes.

The Woman's Institute is an organization that should spread on Vancouver Island. The newspapers of Ontario speak in glowing terms of the good it has done in their province. Women meet for the purpose of mutual improvement, and they derive both pleasure and profit from their meetings. Yet in Ontario the farmers' wives and daughters have, as a rule, been brought up on the farm. This is not always the case here. Many of the women who have married farmers in this province have spent their girlhood in the cities. Others have lived in provinces or countries where conditions were different to those which exist on Vancouver Island. It would be a great advantage for those to be able, occasionally, to consult with women who are more experienced.

Mrs. (Dr.) Watt, in speaking of the Institute at Metchoin some days ago, said that the greatest interest was taken by the women of that district in the meetings, and that they were doing much good. In these days women are beginning to feel that there is much need of study if their work of providing for their families is to be done in the very best and most economical way. When to the work of the household are added those duties which a woman should be able to perform on a farm there is all the more need of thought and study. This Women's Institute encourage. The meetings afford, too, a variety which breaks the monotony which some women find so trying in rural settlements.

It is said that 80,000 Armenian Christians are starving in Cilicia, and the Armenian Relief Association of New York is issuing an appeal for help. This aid is being vouched for by the United States ambassador, who is said to be at the bottom of the movement for relief. This gentleman, Mr. Oscar Strauss, states that sixty thousand widows and orphans are in dire need. Imagination can hardly conceive of the state of the country where such a number of the children are left without their natural protectors. This is the result of the massacres of 1908. Among their ruined homes and desolated fields these thousands of women and helpless children are dragging out a wretched existence. The nation of Christendom could not prevent these massacres, which are a disgrace to the age in which we live, and which will be read of by future generations with horror and incredulity, there should be Christianity enough among the people to do what little is possible to help the survivors.

These Armenian widows make a peculiar appeal to women. It may be true that they are ignorant, and that part of their sufferings is the result of their own fanaticism. But they are Christian women, and they have borne all the sorrows that can fill the heart of women.

NINETEEN BILLS DEALT WITH

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During committee consideration of the charter of the Great West Permanent Loan Co.

Hon. Mr. Bowser raised the objection that by the third section of the bill as before the House, the interested company aimed to accomplish the ratification of a contract with the corporation to the new company—the corporation interested having previously existed as the Great West Permanent Loan and Savings Co.—as well as the title, without any reference to the Land Registry office; in fact that they were doing away with the necessity of registering their title, affecting such registration by this act—and this whether the title were properly vested in the old company or not.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite supported the objection, and raised the point of order that it was beyond the privilege of any private member to introduce legislation, affecting as it appeared to the revenues of the Crown—in the form of land registry fees.

Mr. Jardine, who presided as chairman of the committee, ruled the point well taken, whereupon Mr. Miller, who in charge of the bill, apologized from this ruling to Mr. Speaker. Elaborating his contention in the House Mr. Hawthorthwaite pointed out that the bill as submitted to committee apparently deprives the province of certain registry fees and also overrides the Registry Act, and therefore that it appeared to be a measure such as could only be initiated by a minister of the crown.

Mr. Miller, defending his bill, denied that this was a fair presentation of the case. In his view the only effect possible was an amendment of the corporation by changing the words "and savings," the company having already been duly incorporated in Manitoba as the Great West Permanent Loan and Savings Company, under which name and title it had already paid all fees.

Report Progress.

"Does the Attorney General object to this bill on the grounds indicated," inquired Mr. Speaker? "No, he does not object," Hon. Mr. Bowser replied, "but I do not acquiesce."

The bill being returned to committee—Mr. Speaker reserving his decision upon the point taken—the committee almost immediately rose, with a progress report.

Upon the Vancouver and Nicola Valley Railway Co.'s bill, for extension of time, being duly committed.

once had been made, and that announcement applied specifically to the future—not the present.

The member for Nanaimo held that this was further reason why the House should not grant the extension sought unless the honorable member in charge of the bill could cite very cogent reasons to the contrary.

Mr. Macgowan explained that circumstances had presented themselves which had prevented the company interested in financing their enterprise as originally contemplated, which circumstances it was understood had now been overcome. It was highly desirable in connection with the development of the coal properties especially interested that competitive transportation facilities should be afforded, as this meant inevitably a better rate for the coal to market.

The committee rose with a progress report.

Again, in committee on the Queen Charlottes Railway Co.'s charter, Mr. Hawthorthwaite objected that in seeking powers to engage in a general express as well as railway business, the company was seeking somewhat excessive and extraordinary privileges.

This provoked comment from Mr. McPhillips that any competition with the Dominion Express Co. should be welcomed as in the right direction. That company, while secure in its monopoly, was not the most energetic in striving to promote the convenience of its patrons. He knew by his own experience that when a parcel came for him, while the company would make delivery at his office, they would not take the parcel to his residence, where he wanted it.

"The honorable member for the Islands can very easily obviate that inconvenience," retorted Mr. Hawthorthwaite, "by dealing at the local departmental stores instead of sending back East to Eaton's." (Laughter.)

Score one, said Mr. McPhillips, joining in the laughter.

The bill of the Island Valley Railway Co. was also advanced through committee, after a slight amendment to bring this bill also into line with the principle of having head offices in "British Columbia" instead of broadly "in Canada."

Salvation Army Bill

The bill to revive, ratify and confirm the incorporation of the Graham Island Railway Co. went through committee unchanged, and the Salvation Army bill was next committed to Mr. Eshen in the chair—a matter for some occult reason obtaining the cordially expressed approval of the House.

Apparently in remembrance of the issue raised on his own bill a half hour before, Mr. Miller took the ground that this measure was one beyond the competency of a private member to bring forward.

At the same time, however, he explained that the situations were not analogous, inasmuch as this bill was presented with Government consent. Replying to a question from the Socialist benches, the Attorney-General added that a contract with the Salvation Army was now under consideration by the Government, which matter would be particularly referred to by him in the course of the Budget speech, which would be given on Friday. He understood also, this being a matter precedent to his own administration, that there was a contract with the Army still existing, in connection with the original loan of \$10,000 for bringing settlers to Canada, which loan had not been repaid.

Mr. Williams, though, before any new contract was entered into with the Salvation Army, the House should have some assurance that faith would be kept in compliance with the conditions and provisions of earlier contracts. He did not think that such had been the country's experience in its dealings with the Salvation Army. That body had agreed to place certain agriculturalists upon the land. They did put settlers of a kind on the land in some instances—but these settlers didn't stay there. Nor were they agriculturists, and results were very far from what had been promised. He had his own opinion as to the Salvation Army. It was not the complimentary opinion expressed by the Attorney-General. But as he did not know that the House cared particularly as to his opinion in the matter, he would keep it to himself.

This committee also rose with a progress report.

Second readings followed in quick succession, no debate arising while ten or more bills were disposed of in considerably less than an hour.

Fire Insurance Bill

The first of these was the bill to incorporate the Western Union Fire Insurance Co. Mr. Tisdall explaining that a number of influential business men of British Columbia and Alberta had organized this company to engage in fire, windstorm, marine and general insurance operations. The country was to be congratulated upon the fact that its own people were now endeavoring to provide facilities of security, and that dividends arising out of insurance profits would hereafter be distributed in the province of their origin instead of going abroad.

Mr. Miller, as to the bill for the incorporation of the British Columbia Northern Railway Co., explained that it contained only the usual powers and privileges governing such incorporations, while the private bills committee had gone through it with especial care, inserting clauses for the special protection of the public interest which doubtless would commend themselves to the house.

Mr. William Manson moved the adjournment of the debate.

The bill to incorporate the B. C. Packers' Association, it was explained by Mr. Macgowan, was merely to provide for the transfer of the business headquarters of this association, originally at Vancouver, to Victoria.

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Stocking Dye Caused Poison

A case at Kingston shows vividly the danger of neglecting to apply Zam-Buk to a cut or a sore. Mrs. A. Harrison, living in Place d'Armes, while attending to her household duties, struck her ankle against a sharp projection on the furniture. She took no notice of the injury, deeming it trivial. In a day or two the ankle began to swell and cause excessive pain. A doctor, called in, found that dye from her stocking had entered the wound and set up blood poisoning. Treatment with Zam-Buk followed, but it was several days before the limb was out of danger. "Had it not been for the powerful antiseptic properties of Zam-Buk and its exceptional healing virtues, the wound might have had a very serious result," says Mrs. Harrison. "But I believe if I had applied Zam-Buk at the time of the injury, it would have prevented the blood-poisoning altogether."

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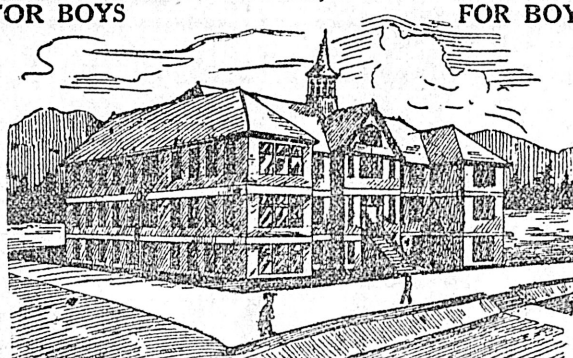
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There's no use denying it that victory obtained by North Ward over the Y. M. C. A. in last night's senior basketball match was a distinct surprise. It was the general belief that the quintette captained by "Bob" Whyte would have little or no difficulty in showing their heels to the lads from the North end. But it didn't turn out so. On the merits of the exhibition it must be admitted

that the Wards were entitled to the victory they gained, although the margin was only a single point. The match was one of the most interesting of the series thus far. A single basket made the difference between defeat and victory, and it was secured in the last minute of play. Nerve racking, eh what?

It is pleasing, indeed, to learn that

the Victoria West club's canvas for subscriptions is meeting with success. Residents of the district across the harbor are responding generously, and there isn't any doubt, those primarily interested declare, that it will be possible to proceed with the necessary improvements to the building, and to procure what equipment is needed to permit the indulgence in aquatic and other summer recreations.

THE RACE

This is how the teams participating in the local senior basketball series stand:

	W.	L.	Pts.
Victoria West	4	1	8
Y. M. C. A.	3	2	6
North Ward	3	2	6
James Bay	0	5	0

GAME EXHIBIT IS CREDITABLE

Display of British Columbia's Resources Ready for Shipment to Vienna Early Next Month

British Columbia's contribution to the international shooting and field sports exhibition to be held at Vienna has been assembled, and, in charge of Warburton Pike, the big game hunter and photographer, will be shipped to Europe on the 4th of March.

The display is not exceptionally large, but it is representative, and has the further commendation of being comprised of the largest and best available specimens of the native game of the Canadian West. In describing the exhibit which the government has arranged to be sent for the edification of the sportsmen of Europe, emphasis is laid on the statement that it includes only the "native" game. For instance, there is not mingled with it any pheasants, partridges, or any of those game birds which, though they flourish on the Pacific slope, have been brought here from outside points. No imported game will be shown in connection with the provincial section of the exhibition, everything being that which was found when whites first invaded the forests of that immense, and then little known country lying west of the Rocky Mountains.

But of the "native" game nothing that has been discovered up-to-date has been omitted. There are the finest heads of mountain sheep and goat, the noblest appearing specimens of the moose, the elk, the antelope, right down to the deer. Besides there is every variety of trout that was found here when the pioneers first set foot on the verdant shores of Vancouver Island and the British Columbia Mainland. In the work of collection Mr. Pike has been assisted by Mr. Kermode, the provincial curator, and that is sufficient assurance that nothing has been omitted.

The object of the government is that the British Columbia exhibit may be so compact and yet complete that it will be possible for the Nimrods and the Waltons of the Old Land to see at a glance what the vast western section of the Dominion of Canada has to offer their fowling pieces or their rods and lines. And, if they are interested, there will be in attendance Mr. Pike, than whom there are few as capable of informing the inquirers of the charms of this province from

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the standpoint of the lover of the chase. He will be able to tell them of his own exploits and experiences, of his own kills in the well stocked recesses of the land bordering on the Pacific. To assist him in thus illustrating the game resources of the Northwest, he will have a fine collection of photographs. Besides Mr. Pike's practical knowledge of the country will enable him to give to the curious all information as to the best hunting sections, the time necessary to make an enjoyable expedition into the wilds, as well as to tell them of the expense of such an outing.

That the exhibit will bear fruit in the attraction of large numbers of newcomers to the West is the opinion of all who have given the matter a thought. While much has been done in the way of posting Old Country sportsmen of the attraction of British Columbia, this move, it is thought, will bring it more directly home to them. They will be able to learn everything they want to know at first hand, and to obtain a grasp of the situation which it has not been possible of furnishing through the medium of pamphlets, however detailed and profusely illustrated. Sportsmen generally concur in the belief that it will prove the best advertisement of the game asset of this part of Canada yet devised, and look upon it as a splendid move in the direction of making British Columbia the recognized resort of the world's big game hunters.

FOUGHT NELSON AT OWN GAME

Referee Smith Declares That Battler Was "Fairly and Squarely" Beaten—Wolgast Says It Was Easy

After Nelson's defeat on Tuesday, Referee Smith made a statement, which follows:

"Wolgast fought Nelson at his own game and beat him fairly and squarely. Nelson complained at times of Wolgast butting, but I paid little heed, as it was simply a case of one taking the worst of a game where both were equally guilty."

"Both men fought the same, but one had youth and all that goes with it, while the thirteen years of fighting through which Nelson had passed left him without the old snap. When I stopped the fight, it had lost all semblance of a boxing contest, and I declared Wolgast the winner to save Nelson from possible serious injuries."

A Training Bout

Wolgast said after the fight: "My fight today was like a training bout. I could fight all week with a man like Nelson. Only once during the fight did he bother me and that was in the twenty-second round. He hurt me more by butting me than anything else and I felt funny for just a few seconds. I cannot say anything as to my future plans, but I am ready to give deserving lightweights a chance. I will rest for a little while now."

Wanted to Continue

When Nelson was able to talk, he said: "I am sorry they called the fight off when they did. I think I could have stayed the forty-five rounds, but have no complaints to make."

That was all he said.

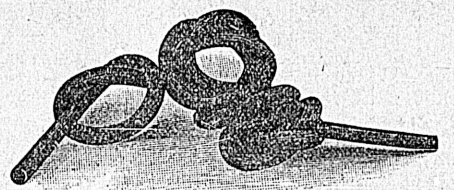
Wolgast's Career

Ad Wolgast began his real fighting career in St. Joseph, where he went fifteen rounds with Buck Plotel, of St. Joseph, on March 17, 1907. He came back a month later and knocked out Plotel in the fifteenth round.

He did not have many important fights in 1907. However, he met Percie Cove, the Seattle lad, at Oshkosh, and got a draw in eight rounds. He also had a battle with Frank Conley, the same little fellow who yesterday won the bantamweight championship of the world. He beat Conley in eight rounds. In 1908 Wolgast began to rise rapidly. Fighting around Milwaukee the future champ met boys of better and better class and won most of his way. He fought a six-round draw with Owen Moran in New York, knocked out Danny Webster in Los Angeles and went a ten-round draw with Abe Attell.

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In 1909 he went up with a rush, though most of his fights were no decision affairs. The battle that brought him into prominence was a ten-round no decision event in Los Angeles last July, in which he had all the better of the champion. He won the right to meet Nelson in a finish fight by beating Lew Powell at San Francisco in twenty rounds.

SOCCER ASSOCIATION PURELY IMAGINARY

"The Canadian Football association," of which J. A. Macpherson, the off-suspended of the Toronto and District Football association, figures as president, is a creature of Mac's imagination. He was a candidate for the office of secretary of the T. and D. at the annual meeting last month, and when that body rejected him Mac established one of his own. A letter-head has been got out, giving as officers a number of gentlemen whose names were put on without their knowledge or consent. Similar misrepresentation is made that this imaginary organization is affiliated with the English Football association. The game in this neighborhood has suffered frequently from the antics of enthusiasts with a ridiculously exaggerated idea of their importance in connection with it, and Mac is keeping up the record. There is but one recognized body in authority in association football here; there is no room for another, and if there were it would not be of any advantage to the game when offered by "President" Macpherson and "Secretary" Hilton.

Will somebody be good now?—Toronto Globe.

AUCTION DOGS AT BENCH SHOW

Management Will Establish New Feature in Connection With Annual Victoria Exhibition—Selling Class

Arrangements have been made for the introduction of a new feature in connection with Victoria's annual kennel club show, which takes place next month. There will be a selling class every night. This will be conducted by T. P. McConnell, who will auction off, without reserve, all dogs, the owners of which wish to dispose of their property. This is the system pursued in all the big bench exhibitions, and it has been found most satisfactory. If a dog goes through the show with honor, and has behind it a creditable record, it is more likely to bring a good price when put up for competition before a congregation of fanciers who know the value of the canine than if sold any other time through the year. For this reason it is to the advantage, as well as being a great convenience, to those who wish to cut down the numbers of their kennels to take the opportunity offered by the annual shows, when the breeders bid in force, to put some of their string under the hammer.

Battling Nelson, the opinion is, has shot his bolt. The gallant warrior who has worthily held the world's lightweight championship for a few brief years is down and out, is numbered among the "has-beens" and wearing his crown is Ad Wolgast, a lad hailing from Milwaukee, who long has given promise of making a name for himself in the pugilistic realm. The title was not relinquished nor the belt won without a struggle; indeed those who read the account contained in yesterday morning's Colonist can-

not but form the conclusion that it was one of the greatest fistic battles of modern history. Nelson's demeanor was heroic, and the term isn't used lightly. He fought every inch of the way and, when totally blind and as weak as a kitten, displayed a bull-dog tenacity that is scarcely conceivable. It must have been a sad and dramatic spectacle—Nelson, hardly able to raise his arm, begging to be allowed to continue in the fortieth round and Wolgast, sustained by the advantage of youth, only waiting to pick and place the knock-out. And then how pluckily Nelson bowed to the inevitable, shaking hands with his conqueror, and masking a broken-heart with outward composure. Nelson is beaten, but he has established a name that will not be easily forgotten.

HOW CONLEY WON FROM M. ATTELL

Story of Historic Fistic Which Took Place at Los Angeles on Washington's Birthday—Great Encounter

In a graphic description of the Conley-Attell battle, in which the former was successful in the forty-second round, a correspondent says:

"Conley emerged from the fierce encounter without a scratch, while Attell lay on the floor for two minutes after receiving Conley's finishing blow on the jaw, his left eye entirely closed and badly discolored, his mouth and nose bleeding and his lips swollen and bruised. His seconds did not wait for the referee to count him out, but threw up the sponge as the fallen fighter straightened his limbs and rolled on his back five seconds after he had fallen.

"Conley danced to his corner, confident that Attell couldn't get up and that he had won the bantamweight championship. "Attell never seemed to be able to break through Conley's defense. When they mixed it he was always the aggressor, but nearly always got the worst of the exchange.

"Attell perceptibly weakened in the thirty-third round when Conley landed a terrific drive with his right under the heart and he was going down hill from that point on to the finish. In the thirty-seventh Conley fought him to the ropes and in the mix-up Attell turned his back on Conley and started to run. Conley was onto him like a flash and the gong saved Attell from a knockout at this juncture.

"Attell started the forty-second round with his usual rush but slipped and fell on all-fours. Conley waited for him to rise and then staggered him with a series of lefts and rights. As he came away from a clinch Attell was dazed by jabs to his face and started to run. Conley suddenly drove his right to the jaw, and the fight was over.

"Attell's friends said after the fight that he was not trained as thoroughly as he might have been, but they did not attribute his defeat to this fact altogether, but rather to the fact that Conley puzzled him with his defense and was able to withstand a lot of fearful punishment."

Worked to Weakness

"So many prize-fights end with a blow on the jaw."

"Of course. In prize-fighters that's the part of the body that is over-trained."

If a man is born without any poor relations, he doesn't know any better than to go and marry some.

GRAND VIEW

Is the new name of the western portion of section 48, hitherto known as Rockland Park, re-named so as not to conflict with Rockland avenue, and it certainly merits its new name, as from this point is obtainable the grandest view of Victoria City. The Straits and Harbor, sloping gently to the south, with an abundant growth of magnificent old oaks, it presents the appearance of an up-to-date English park. The Tram Cars run to within five blocks of this property, and it is only two blocks from the "George Jay" School-house. There is no doubt that the Tram Cars will soon give far better service to the rapidly growing Northeast section of the City, when the prices of these lots will certainly be greatly enhanced, as they were in the Fairfield district, where lots are now selling as high as \$1,000 could have been bought for \$600 per acre before the advent of the Tram Cars in that direction.

Buy at Once and Reap the Benefit of the Advance

And don't have to tell your friends six months hence how many hundreds of dollars you could have made if you had only bought in GRAND VIEW

Bear in mind, this is high land and not subject to early frosts or fogs. This part of the city has hitherto been neglected, but any of you who have lived in growing towns must have observed how they always grow towards the Country, and the growth of this City to the North will be phenomenal. The Bank of Commerce has just acquired a site for a Branch Bank, at Bay and Douglas streets, for \$18,000. These lots were sold six weeks ago for Six Thousand Dollars. It is rumored that other Banks are following suit in this vicinity. The terms are liberal and building restrictions moderate. Further particulars may be obtained from the following real estate offices: P. R. Brown, Ltd.; Heisterman, Forman Co.; the Griffiths Co., L. W. Bick, Allen & Son, H. Cuthbert & Co., the Empire Realty Co., Grant & Lineham, and Robert Mason, (who has an office on the property.)

EARNED THANKS OF THOUSANDS

Miss Ida B. Allison, Who Won
the Famous Lawsuit in the
United States, on Visit to
This City

To have won a lawsuit against the United States government after it had been carried through every court in the land, to have secured by her successful suit 400,000 acres of land in Oklahoma to the Cherokee and Choctaw Indians, and incidentally to have received the heartfelt thanks of thousands is the unique privilege of Miss Ida B. Allison, of Muskogee, Okla., who passed through the city yesterday on her way to Vancouver. Throughout Oklahoma Miss Allison's name is a household word. The interest in her lawsuit, a test case, was widespread throughout the continent. Miss Allison in unassuming language related the story of her case to the Colonist last evening at the Empress hotel. "My interest in the matter was a purely personal and family one," she said. "The actual land for which we were fighting was our own, but the case involved 400,000 acres belonging to the Indian tribes in the state. The land was at first recommended not to be allotted by the Dawes commission in 1896. In 1908 it was recommended for allotment, it having been found that the first recommendation had been made erroneously, but the interior department held the patents for cancellation. My brother, George, and I carried the matter into the courts. We were successful in all the courts, but the government carried an appeal to the Supreme court of the United States. This tribunal considered the case of such importance that it was placed on the first list of cases to be represented by four prominent attorneys in Washington, D. C. The government case was handled by Attorney-General Bonaparte and Mr. Fowler.

Ordered by Mandamus
"We won the decision," continued Miss Allison, her face lighting up in memory of her triumph. "The interior department was ordered by mandamus to restore the lands to their rightful owners. The case was the quickest ever tried by the Supreme court, and the instance was the first in fourteen years where the interior department had been compelled by a mandamus from the Supreme court to do a certain thing.

The land which our lawsuit secured for the people is tremendously valuable. At a minimum valuation of \$10 per acre the total would be \$4,000,000. Some of it, however, is easily worth \$10,000 an acre."

In the veins of Miss Allison there is a slight strain of Cherokee blood, and that and the members of the Choctaw race have voted her their eternal gratitude for her gallant and successful fight in the courts of the United States.

NINETEEN BILLS DEALT WITH

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ginaly incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, to this province.

With regard to the British Columbia & Alaska Railway Co.'s bill, it was pointed out by Mr. Tisdall that the promoters contemplated the construction of a line of railway from Lytton to the Skeena, thence to the Stikine and on to Teslin lake, a road which would open up very considerable and valuable areas of the central valleys of British Columbia at present handicapped as to settlement by absence of railway facilities.

The bill for the incorporation of the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of New Caledonia took second reading also, with but a brief word of explanation by Mr. William Manson, while in offering for second reading the Pacific & Alaska Railway Co.'s bill, the member for Skeena said that this was simply the usual charter, on lines conforming to the model railway act, the line projected being for the Portland Canal and Salmon river country. The C. C. Contract Railway Co., Mr. Tisdall pointed out, intends to build from Lillooet by way of the Fraser river valley to Fort George, this railway being promoted by the same people who have in hand the project of

the Howe Sound & Pemberton Valley Railway Co., with which this line would link. These people were building with their own money, their being a bona fide railway enterprise. The road would be of value to the country as a colonization agency, and would cost the people of British Columbia nothing.

An Island Road

In explanation of the bill of the Northern British Columbia Railway Co., Mr. Thomson said that the railway projected was to cross the northern end of the island, extending from Quatsino to Hardy Bay. The promoters were largely interested in timber, and had found it inexpedient to tow their booms from Quatsino down the west coast, in consequence of which they proposed to haul them across to point from which they could be sent out by inside water.

As to the amending legislation of the Howe Sound, Pemberton Valley & Northern Railway Co., Mr. Tisdall informed the house that this was merely to enable the company, chartered in 1907, to increase its capital stock and transfer its northern terminus from Anderson lake to Lillooet, also to operate a telephone service from New-Port to Vancouver. Ten miles of this road had already been built, and road stock was now on its way to the coast. The road when completed would open up to settlement the Squamish valley, and no doubt prove a valuable colonization factor.

The Cariboo, Barkerville and Willow River railway was outlined by Mr. Fraser as projected to extend from some point on the Grand Trunk Pacific up Willow river to Barkerville, penetrating a district at present lacking transportation facilities. The promoters of this new road sought no special privileges, and their bill was drawn upon the lines of the model railway act.

Last of the day's grist came the bills of Vancouver City, amending the incorporation act and also extending the expropriation period under the False Creek foreshore act, the former of which was elaborated in detail by Mr. Tisdall, in charge. He held that this act was not only of very great importance to the largest city of the province but to the province as a whole. He had heard a suggestion that Vancouver was everlastingly "linking" with its charter. This he denied. Amendments were from time to time essential, arising out of the variation of conditions caused by the rapid growth of the city in population and all else making for civic greatness. These conditions would not perhaps be so readily appreciated by the casual visitor, who saw only the great buildings going up, the augmented volume of the customs and clearing house returns, etc. Proceeding to explain the features of the present amendments, he sketched the salient facts in each, as they have been presented at various stages, ending with committee consideration of the bill.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite expressed no objection to the bill taking second reading, while holding that certain clauses challenged very serious consideration at the committee stage of progress. Vancouver's eloquent fourth member had drawn a very charming picture of his city with its rising skyscrapers adorning the horizon—its happy and prosperous and contented people! But in dealing with details he had robbed his picture of its alluring colors. When he began to talk of the baby farms of Vancouver and the necessity for legislation for the protection of the unfortunate infants concerned, he pictured a condition of affairs which, happily, could not prevail at Nanaimo. Again he was amazed to learn of the Chinese and others keeping their poultry in Vancouver cellars! Such an exposure of the dark side of life in greater Vancouver he had not expected from the fourth member of that rising city. He (Mr. Hawthornthwaite) sincerely hoped that anyone who might otherwise be tempted to invest his money in Vancouver would not take too seriously to heart the slights and slurs that the honorable member had seen fit to throw at his town. (Laughter.) The second readings in all cases save that of the British Columbia Northern Telephone Co., in which the debate stands adjourned, were unanimously agreed to.

Y. M. I.'s Victorious.

In the match between the Y.M.I. and Banker basketball teams last evening the former won out by a score of 29 to 14. The game all through was in favor of the Y. M. I. five, the account standing at 17 to 6 at half time. The contest was interesting, being rendered the more so by a large crowd of rooters which punctuated the play with frequent outbursts of applause. Leo Sweeney refereed.

Frankness is so unusual to a woman that when she uses it it is a mask.

ALL SATURDAY GAMES DOUBTFUL

The Victoria-Vancouver Rugby
Match May Be Postponed
Owing to Weather Conditions
—Same With Soccer

Will the long-expected Victoria-Vancouver rugby match be played here on Saturday?

Everything depends on the weather man. If he becomes docile before the end of the week and orders the discontinuation of freezing and dissolution of the snow which now covers the playing area it is probable that the engagement will not be abandoned. Under the best of circumstances the turf will be soft, here and there broken in to nice soft muddy puddles, but the players don't mind that. It will only mean that the three-quarters won't have much opportunity for displaying their speed to advantage, thus leaving it to the forwards to fight out the issue.

There has been some talk of the postponement of this, the fourth of the McKechnie cup series between Vancouver and Victoria fifteens but, up to the present, nothing definite has been done with that object in view. Officials point out that it may be that there will be a decided thaw before the date of the game which will enable the contest to go forward without interference. However, if there isn't a change within the next couple of days negotiations will be entered into for the purpose of arranging to have the match called on and fixed for a later day mutually satisfactory.

Soccer the Same.

A number of important soccer matches are on the slate for the week-end. Whether they will be held is problematical. The management association is in much the same position as those who have in hand the arrangements for the rugby fixture. If the cold snap prevails they will be called off and should there be a radical change in the conditions before Saturday the programme will be carried through without alteration.

BASEBALL NINE FOR THIS CITY

Victoria Club Re-organized
Last Evening and Decided
to Form Strong Team for
Summer Series

A number of enthusiastic baseball players gathered at Peden Bros. store, Government street, last evening to discuss plans for the forthcoming season. It was decided that the Victoria club would again be organized, that it would be made up almost entirely of local men and that practices would begin on Good Friday and continue until the opening of the season. As series A. Matelet was elected manager with A. W. Northcott, Jr. treasurer. The indications, judging by the feeling prevailing the proceedings, are that there won't be any lack of material and that the city will have a fast team in the field—one marvellous a good showing in competition with the finest amateur aggregations of the Northwest.

HERE TO PRESS RUPERT'S CLAIMS

Delegation Down From North
to See Bill Through the
Legislature—Want Many
Rights

To give the future city of Prince Rupert a fair start on its future career a citizens' delegation expect to wage a strong fight in Victoria this week. They arrived in town last evening. They will ask the legislature to see that the proposed incorporation bill negatives any special privileges which may be enjoyed by power companies or by parties holding water rights in that locality.

According to a member of the delegation the citizens of the northern town are determined that the municipality shall be free from the outset to install its own waterworks, telephone exchange and power and lighting plants. They see danger ahead in a charter granted several years ago to the Tsimpsean Power and Light company which has since passed into the hands of a Parisian syndicate. A representative of the syndicate recently visited Prince Rupert and announced his intention of making a start this spring in installing an electric lighting plant. Other wide powers were given this company for a radius of seventy-five miles of its waterpower, Prince Rupert being included.

The delegation will resist this claim and demand that the franchise be cancelled for the failure to comply with certain legal requirements. It will go further, demanding that water rights on various streams near Prince Rupert, now recorded in the names of private parties be revoked as detrimental to the future of the city. These water rights are located in the Hoxto and Katawaba rivers. One result of the present agitation has been the reservation of all other water powers in that locality by the provincial government.

Insist on Special Clause.

"We are opposed to any special privileges being granted to companies or syndicates," declared one of the delegates. "We see our financial credit threatened by the Tsimpsean Power company which claims authority to install electric light and power plants, waterworks, tram lines and a telephone system in

Undeveloped Districts Mainland and Island To Have Renard Trains

Will Create New Business and Increase Land Values

The establishment of the Renard Road Transportation trains throughout the interior of British Columbia (on the mainland and Vancouver Island) will in a great measure develop areas of country which heretofore, from lack of transportation facilities, have received little or no attention from the agriculturist or miner.

The very fact that the Renard Road Motor can run over ordinary wagon roads and trails, drawing specially constructed trucks, each capable of carrying as much as five tons of freight (the whole traveling at a speed up to 25 miles per hour) will lend considerable impetus to the development of our natural resources.

Cost Very Low.

No other form of transportation can equal the Renard motors as to reasonability of cost, since it is not possible to carry freight by rail at so low a figure as 4c per ton mile.

A Renard motor is now operating in Southern California

Over very hilly country and on sandy roads, which makes an average speed of not less than eight miles per hour hauling trains heavily loaded with freight.

Mr. C. E. Dalbear, the Manager of the California Trona Co., a gigantic enterprise operating throughout Southern California, and having a large plant at Borax Lake, in speaking of the success of the Renard Train, says that it is an enormous improvement in traction road machinery.

Being adapted to ordinary roads Renard Trains can go any place that it is possible to drive with a team with a wagon. The cars are all mounted on six wheels—three axles.

This unique equipment in itself insures smooth running and minimum rocking. The vertical stress or crushing action on the road, due to the weight on the driving wheels of each car, and the horizontal stress or clipping action due to the hauling power of the driving wheels in the Renard Train, is exceptionally light.

The Renard Trains may be run over roads which, either from bad foundations or insufficient strength of bridges, are closed to heavy traffic.

Complete control of the whole train is assured by means of perfected steering arrangement, which permits of the working of the trains of great length in the hands of one driver.

The compensating springs and extra axle admit of the running of the trains over roads having bad surfaces. This extra equipment greatly reduces the noise and vibration, since the propelling power is evenly distributed throughout the train—there being one pair of driving wheels on each car.

The three-axle equipment permits of one pair of wheels passing over obstacles without disturbing the equilibrium of the car or causing a shock to the occupant of the same—the other four wheels maintaining the balance of the coach.

It is impossible in this space to place before the readers of this paper the many advantages and exclusive features present in the Renard Road motor—suffice it to say, however,

NOTICE—Residents of isolated districts, large land owners, merchants and others interested in cheap transportation, having any suggestion regarding territories to be opened, should write at once to C. W. KNIGHT, Right-of-Way and Organizing Secretary, 305 Winch Building, Vancouver, B. C.

our city. We want all these privileges sidetracked by a special clause in the incorporation bill. Nothing less will satisfy us. We have good reason to believe that the power company and other holders of waterpower franchises have not carried out their legal obligations and besides if these powers do exist we want them cancelled right now. If the government does not intervene in our behalf the city's future will be handicapped forever. The greatest blow will be to our borrowing powers.

"We expect a fair deal as the government has already agreed to loan us

\$50,000 for our new electric lighting plant now under construction. All other public utilities should also be vested in the city. Later on when a municipal government shall have been established the city council can act as it thinks best for the welfare of the municipality. But we are dead-set against all special privileges to outside companies even before the city has any corporate existence. Citizens have raised the money to install a telephone system and at the proper juncture the franchise will be transferred to the municipality. We have the same opin-

ion about a street car company. We don't want a syndicate, especially a foreign one, to amass millions at the expense of our city."

The charter of the Tsimpsean Power and Light company was secured several years ago by Mr. John Dean and others of Victoria and subsequently sold to the Parisian syndicate.

The Renard road trains will prove a highly profitable proposition throughout British Columbia and Western Canada.

Already this Company has received much encouragement from the interior of this Province and other points not served by trains.

The inception of the service is bound to meet with the most general support of the farmer, merchant, miner and resident of isolated districts in which the trains are to be operated.

It is the intention of this company, The Canadian Renard Road Transportation Co., Ltd. (incorporated quite recently under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, with a capital of \$250,000 divided into 2,500 shares having a par value of \$100 each), to immediately form a number of subsidiary companies at different points throughout Western Canada and relinquish to each the exclusive franchise for a certain district to operate Renard Road trains.

In consideration for such franchise the parent Company will receive a block of stock from the subsidiary company, also a certain payment in cash. It will readily be seen, therefore, since the stock of this parent Company, The Canadian Renard Road Transportation Company, Ltd., is actually worth par by virtue of the rights, patents and franchise controlled for all Canada, and that this stock will be worth many times par, once a number of subsidiary companies have been formed. Since the subsidiary companies will be operative organizations and will establish their true worth as they progress and develop,

Buy In Now On Ground Floor.

Those who are fortunate enough to own shares in the parent Company have the satisfaction of knowing that in twelve months' time they will be interested in one of the greatest transportation schemes ever organized in this country.

Now is your opportunity to buy in on the ground floor by acquiring shares in the parent Company while the same are selling at par.

The issue to be sold at par is limited. You must act promptly if you desire to acquire a holding in this corporation at this price. Terms of sale of shares are very easy.

The directors of the parent Company have completed plans whereby the formation of subsidiary companies will commence at once.

If you are interested in the proposition and care to receive further particulars concerning the operation of Renard Road Trains and this Company, together with the future plans laid down by the Board of Directors, address:

The Canadian Renard Road Transportation Co., Ltd.

305-309 Winch Building, - Vancouver, B. C.

It Was Coming to Him.
The mother of the twins found them fighting furiously. Willie, the larger twin, was on top. He was beating

Tommy about the face and head. "Why, Willie, how dare you strike your brother like that?" cried the mother, taking the boy by the ear and pulling him off.

"I had good cause to strike him," answered Willie.

"What do you mean?" she asked.

"Why," said Willie, with a righteous air, "didn't I let him use my sled all last Saturday on condition that he'd say my prayers for me all this week? And here I've just found out that he's skipped three days."

Don't Be Misled

A player piano is not a
genuine pianola piano unless
the words

"Pianola Piano"

Appear in plain letters on
the fall board over the keys.

This is the name given to
the piano made by the Aeolian Co., and does not apply to any other player piano, although many other players are falsely sold as pianola pianos.

Come in and hear the genuine instrument and you will not be persuaded to purchase any other make, for none are equal to the real pianola piano, and we are the only agents in Victoria or on the island for this instrument.

Catalogues and price lists sent on application.

Hicks & Lovick
PIANO COMPANY, LIMITED
1204 Douglas St. - Victoria, B.C.

W. H. ELLIS

Investment Broker

Here is a Good Buy

Yates Street, near Quadra. Handsome twelve roomed Residence, on Lot 60 x 120. This is a very attractive property. It is in the semi-business section, is well built, finely finished interior, roomy and comfortable, with all modern conveniences. Suitable for a private hotel or private hospital. The property is cheap at \$15,000.

Residences

TRUTH STREET, NEAR RICHARDSON

Seven-roomed house; just completed; with handsomely finished interior, basement cement floor; house heated with furnace. The whole a complete modern and attractive residence, in a charming situation and first-class section. The price is reasonable and the terms very easy.

GOVERNMENT AND SIMCOE

Southeast corner of Government and Simcoe streets, with 128 feet frontage on Government. Handsome new nine-roomed residence, built on stone foundation, with high basement, cement and concrete floor, containing modern furnace, stationary washbasin and other conveniences. The ground floor has large entrance hall and dining room, with paneled walls and beam ceiling, mantels and sideboard, sitting room, drawing room, kitchen and large pantry. The upper floor contains four bedrooms with extra large closets and roomy bathroom. The house possesses handsomely finished interior, was built of selected material, and is a cheerful roomy home. The situation is ideal, possessing a beautiful outlook; but a few minutes' walk from Beacon Hill Park, Dallas Road beach and the street cars, and is ten minutes' walk from the Postoffice. Here is a new, comfortable, attractive residence built in a choice locality and in a situation that must increase in land value. The price is \$12,000, on terms.

GORGE ROAD BUNGALOW

Seven rooms, modern in all respects; a most attractive residence at a moderate price and easy terms. The lot has a frontage of 131 feet on Gorge road, with an average depth over 260 feet. The price is \$6,500 the terms \$2,500 cash, with balance on mortgage.

ST. PATRICK ST., OAK BAY

Nearly an acre of ground on a corner, second block from Oak Bay avenue. Fine eight-roomed residence provided with all modern conveniences. Well kept gardens, fine tennis lawn. Situation is protected from winds; is but short distance from beach. The property forms a very attractive suburban home. Price \$8,500. Easy terms.

BURNSIDE ROAD

Twelve-roomed residence in good condition on 2½ acres of fine land, with 35-foot lot running through to Douglas street. The property fronts 275 feet on Burnside road, has 500 feet of thorn hedge, flowers, shrubs and 50 fruit trees, barn, etc., septic tank, electric lighted; is a pleasant place of residence and could be subdivided. It is a bargain at \$11,500, on easy terms.

ONTARIO STREET

Two five-roomed cottages in first class condition, now renting \$20 per month each. Price \$2,500 each. Terms, \$1,000 cash; balance easy.

CEDAR HILL ROAD

Seven-roomed house, with cement cellar, stabling for five cows and two horses, 4½ acres of land suitable for subdivision, 120 fruit trees, and many small fruits. Price, on terms, \$7,000.

BELMONT AVENUE

Seven-roomed house with corner half-acre lot. Price \$4,200

WILSON STREET

Victoria West, well-finished three-roomed cottage on lot 55x165. Just the place for a bachelor or the simple life. Price, on terms, \$1,400.

GARBALLY ROAD

Bungalow of five rooms, attractive design, on lot 54.3x135, situated on Garbally road, short distance from Douglas street car line. This can be secured for \$600 cash and monthly payments of \$25, interest to be 7 per cent.

Residential Property

COOK STREET

Corner of Collinson, three lots 59x120. Very choice location. Price for the corner, \$2,500 and \$2,250 each for the inside; on suitable terms.

ST. PATRICK STREET

Near Oak Bay avenue, 145x240, fronting on two streets; very choice location; no rock, fine trees; would subdivide into four large lots; 72½x120. Price \$4,000 on terms.

ARM ST., VICTORIA WEST

Four lots, 50x120 each, running from street to street, 100x240; all in good shape for building. Fronts on Burleigh mansions grounds. Will sell for \$650 each or \$2,400 for the four on easy terms.

CRAIGFLOWER ROAD

Just outside the city limits, cleared lot; no rock on carline; 47.5x130. Price \$600 cash.

NIAGARA STREET

Two lots near Menzies, 49x125 each. These lots are portion of an orchard, fine soil and southern outlook. Price \$1,400 each.

LINDEN AVENUE

Three lots near Fairfield road; high situation. Price, each, \$1,250.

FAIRFIELD ROAD

Three very choice lots on Fairfield Road at very reasonable prices.

TO INCORPORATE UNDER THE GENERAL ACT

The Referendum Proposals for Prince Rupert Are Abandoned in Private Bills to Be Submitted

The bill for the incorporation of Prince Rupert, now before the legislature for second reading, is very, very widely different from the measure first proposed, none of the referendum provisions, which formed a conspicuous feature of the first draft referred to, being found in the legislation as introduced.

The latter is, briefly, but a compact piece of legislation providing for the incorporation of the new northern railway terminal under the provisions of the Municipal Clauses Act, and with a council composed of a mayor and eight aldermen, to be elected during the present year—nomination and election dates being as yet undetermined.

Prince Rupert will operate, as does Victoria, under the general act, nor seek any special charter privileges as at first contemplated.

INCREASED COST OF PANAMA CANAL

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300,000. This increase is to be explained, first, by the very great increase in the cost of labor and material between the time when the estimate was made, in 1900, and the time when the work was done between 1904 and 1909. Second, by the fact that the canal has been enlarged substantially beyond the original dimensions estimated for.

"You know that the great work of excavation in the canal is called the Culebra cut. This is where the backbone of the continent, reduced to its lowest height, is cut through, in order to permit the flowing of the canal, and through five miles of that cut, which altogether is about nine miles long, for purposes of economy, the original plan and estimate made the bottom of the canal in the rock two hundred feet wide. This would not enable two of the largest steamers to pass each other in the canal with any degree of safety, and would require that one of them should tie up to the bank while the other went by. In order to avoid this delay in that part of the canal, it has been thought wise to increase the bottom width from 200 to 300 feet in places, and that of course makes the change most expensive. So, too, in order that the canal may be adapted to the largest size of steamers possible the dimensions of the six locks have been increased from 900 feet usable length by 90 feet with to 1,000 feet usable length and 110 feet 1½ ft. This was done at the instance of the navy department, on the ground that they could look forward in future and see vessels of a beam exceeding 100 feet.

"It has also been found necessary to change the character of the canal on the Pacific side from a lake with a dam and locks on the shore of the Bay of Panama, to a sea level canal running four miles inland, so as to remove the locks four miles inland, and beyond the possible reach of the guns of an enemy in Panama Bay. These two changes also have added very considerably to the cost.

"Again, it has been found wise to enlarge the canal into a lake or basin at the foot of the Gatun locks, and make whatever variations in the plans experience in the construction had demonstrated the necessity for. This is more than doubling the cost of construction, and engineering has been necessary. In addition to this the cost of sanitation and government, without which the canal could not have been built, will be about \$63,000,000, and will carry the entire cost of the canal to \$373,000,000."

REVOLUTIONISTS BEATEN

Nicaraguan Government Claims Victory Over Force Led by Gen. Chamorro.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Feb. 23.—Another victory over the revolutionists has been announced by General Toledo, the Nicaraguan minister of war. The announcement was based on an official despatch received from Gen. Rivas, in command of the government forces, who engaged the revolutionists under Gen. Chamorro at Tisma, twelve miles from Masaya.

General Rivas' despatch was posted on the street corners, hands appeared in the streets, and a general celebration followed. The despatch says: "The battle began at 8 a. m. Feb. 22. Lara attacking the enemy, who were then occupying Tisma. Basis of the revolutionists (forces) with two maxims, inflicted serious losses, and the advantage was with him until 3 p. m., when Chavarria, and later Valdez, and then Garza, Zeledon, Vasquez, and Aguilar arrived with reinforcements from three sides. Firing ceased at 6.30, the revolutionists retiring in the direction of Tipitapa."

"The battle was the bloodiest yet, there being much hand to hand fighting with machetes. Lara's men charged Masis' maxims, capturing one of them. "The losses are estimated at 400 killed or wounded. A detachment of government troops were taken prisoner, but later the rescue was effected. Chamorro succeeded in re-organizing his forces and rushed the trenches occupied by General Ramirez at three o'clock this morning at Tipitapa. The fight lasted four hours, when the government troops, aided by the insurgents, who were decimated by a galling fire. They abandoned the dead and wounded, but succeeded in making their way through in the direction of Saltillo, their object being evidently to effect a junction with Mena."

Prison for Miss Charlesworth. LONDON Feb. 23.—In the Derby Assize court today Violet Gordon Charlesworth and her mother were each sentenced to five years' penal servitude for obtaining money under false pretences, and for fraudulently representing that the young woman was an heiress to a great estate. The judge in passing sentence referred to Violet's remarkable ingenuity, which he said, properly applied might have won for her an honorable if not a distinguished career. The prisoners collapsed in the dock on hearing the sentence. Violet Gordon

Charlesworth disappeared last February after a meteoric career in high finance, in the course of which, on the strength of a mythical fortune of \$2,500,000, she borrowed many thousands of dollars, and then the report was spread that she had been killed while auto riding in Wales.

Co-Operative Bill.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Mr. Monk's co-operative bill passed the special committee of the commons today with a few amendments, none of which are of a radical nature.

Mother Kills Child.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—The coroner's jury today held Mrs. Inek Kozmerska responsible for the death of her two and a half year old son, who died yesterday as the result of a severe beating on the head which she had given him. Mrs. Kozmerska is now in custody.

Mackay Company Sells

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Clarence M. Mackay made the following statement today: "The Mackay company has sold its entire holding of stock in the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. A large part of the money at least will be used to extend its land and ocean systems."

Hogs Still Advance.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—Another step towards the \$10 hog of 1870, the record price since the civil war, was made today at the stockyards, where live hogs sold at \$9.65 a hundredweight. The new prices are an advance of 15 cents over this year's previous record, established last Friday, and is the record high price for forty years.

Train Strikes Street Car

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 23.—Two persons were killed, two fatally injured, and twenty others hurt today in a collision of a Union Pacific passenger train and a street car in Denver. The locomotive of the passenger train, which was running at high speed, struck the front of the street car, hurling the car across the track. The motorman and a woman passenger were killed. It is feared a number of the injured may die.

British Crew Rescued

Beaufort, N. C., Feb. 23.—The entire crew of 30 men of the British steamer Arroyo, which went ashore yesterday off the North Carolina coast near Diamond shoal, was taken off today by the life savers from Portsmouth island station. The steamer struck about five miles south of the station. The Arroyo was from Santiago, Cuba, with a cargo of iron ore for Philadelphia. No report of the condition of the steamer today has come from the scene of the wreck.

SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 23.—A boom in embarkation to Canada has been started here under the auspices of the Salvation Army. It is announced that organization has made arrangements whereby settlers for that country will sail every week from this port from now until the end of April. Commissioners Coombes and Howard sailed on the Adriatic for a visit to Canada to look over the situation and make arrangements for the reception of immigrants.

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Big Holt Liner Took Full Cargo From Outer Wharf Yesterday for Liverpool and the Orient

CYCLOPS STILL ASHORE NEAR JEDDAH

Cargo Being Removed and Re-insurance is Affected at 30 Per Cent. at Lloyds—The Mabe Maru Due

With a cargo filling the big freighter to her hatches the steamer Antiochus of the Blue Funnel line sailed from the outer wharf yesterday afternoon in command of Capt. Stewart, who came on board as chief officer of the same company's steamer Decaulon and now comes from Liverpool to replace the late Capt. G. D. Keny, who died suddenly soon after the arrival of the liner. The Antiochus had big shipments of canned salmon, salt herring and general merchandise, having a total cargo of about 9,000 tons. Several shipments of salt herring brought from Nanaimo to Tacoma by small freighters, were crowded out owing to the heavy rush of freight. The Antiochus had a small complement of homing Chinese.

The steamer Teucer is still discharging cargo at the outer wharf and leave for the Sound to commence loading for her homeward run. A big cargo has been booked for the Holt liner. The Titan will be the next of the steamers of this line to reach port. She is scheduled to leave Hongkong today, and the new Proteus which is to follow, will probably bring the first large contingent of returning Chinese who went their home in Canton for the New Year celebrations. This steamer has accommodation for 550 steerage passengers.

Not This Time.

The silk cargo of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Seattle Maru is being hurried east, and a Seattle despatch announces in all seriousness that an effort is to be made to break records in the time of this shipment. Inasmuch as the cargo brought by the Empress of China, which arrived here last Friday and which was shipped from Yokohama the same day as the Seattle Maru, was nearing New York when the Chicago and Milwaukee's silk train left Seattle the chances are that no records will be broken.

The British steamer Cyclops, bound from Liverpool to Seattle, which went ashore in the Red Sea near Jeddah, is still aground, according to the latest reports. Several ineffectual efforts were made to get the vessel off the reef, and cargo is now being discharged. The Japanese steamer is expected to arrive about Thursday next. She is being followed by the Oceano of the Bank Line, scheduled to leave Yokohama yesterday and to arrive here on March 13th and by the C.T.R. steamer Montague to leave Yokohama on Sunday for this port.

SUPERINTENDENT FOR ESQUIMALT NAVAL YARD

Report Current: That Appointment is to Be Given George D. Phillips by Ottawa Government

It has been reported that the position of superintendent of the new Canadian naval yard at Esquimalt is to be given to George D. Phillips, who has been an official of the Imperial service at Esquimalt for some years. Mr. Phillips stated that he had not been advised of an appointment. Many applications were made for the post, the applicants including engineers and others. The post is to be created with the taking over of the Esquimalt naval yard by the Canadian government, the duties of the superintendent being to take charge of the whole department of the new naval station.

SALVAGE AWARDS TO BRITISH VESSELS

Two Tugs Receive £1,500 for Rescuing Russian Steamer—Freighter Rewarded for Saving Dutch Liner

For services rendered in floating the Russian steamer Korea, which grounded near North Shields last December, the tugs Earl of Beaconsfield and Livingston have been awarded £1,500 salvage in the British Admiralty courts. In giving judgment Justice Burgess Deane said there was a difficulty in awarding salvage in this case which did not always arise. His opinion he had arrived at with regard to this vessel's condition was that if she had remained on the rocks for another tide the rocks would have holed her, and she might never have been got off. From that point of view there was a valuable property saved from what probably would have been very serious loss. On the other hand, they had salvaging property of very small value, and he did not quite see how the award could be made larger than the value of the salvaging property. So he had to arrive at some third middle line. There had been a great deal said about the value of the tugs. They were not of great horse-power, and were able to tow this big vessel off the rocks into deep water. He thought that under all the circumstances £1,500 between them, of £750 each, would meet the case.

In the same court an award of

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

By Government Wireless

Tatoosh, 8 a. m.—Light snow; wind east 38 miles; bar. 29.80; temp. 32; sea moderate; passed out, steamer Watson, 10:30 p. m.; in, Buckman, 11 p. m.

Estevan, 8 a. m.—Snowing; wind S. E.; bar. 29.82; temp. 30; sea moderate.

Pachena, 8 a. m.—Snowing; wind east; bar. 26.63; temp. 31; sea moderate; steamer Quadra at Uclulet, 10:30 a. m.; calm, bar. 29.82; temp. 28; sea smooth.

Point Grey, 8 a. m.—Snowing; calm; bar. 29.74; temp. 29; thick seaward.

Point Grey, noon.—Snowing; calm; thick seaward; bar. 29.79; temp. 32.

Cape Lazo, noon.—Snowing; calm; bar. 29.80; temp. 30; sea smooth.

Tatoosh, noon.—Light rain; wind N. E. 25 miles; bar. 29.81; temp. 34; passed in, str. Asuncion, 5 p. m.

Pachena, noon.—Drizzling; snowing; wind east; bar. 29.65; temp. 34; sea moderate; Quadra at Uclulet, 10:30 a. m.; Umattila reports she will arrive tonight at 9:30.

Estevan, noon.—Cloudy; wind east; bar. 29.78; temp. 34; sea moderate.

Triangle Island, noon.—Snowing; wind S. E., strong gale; bar. 30.01; sea moderate.

Point Grey.—Sky overcast; calm; bar. 29.86; temp. 36; no shipping.

Cape Lazo.—Snow; northeast gale; bar. 29.75; temp. 33; sea rough; spoke Cottage City off Chatham point, southbound, 4 p. m.

Tatoosh.—Light rain; wind S. E., 24 miles; bar. 29.71; temp. 44; sea moderate; in, Umattila, 5 p. m.

Estevan.—Rainy; wind east; bar. 29.64; temp. 36; sea moderate; no shipping.

Pachena.—Rainy; easterly wind; bar. 29.55; temp. 37; sea moderate; no shipping.

£725 was made to the owners, master and crew of the steamer Baltazan, for salvage services rendered to the Dutch lighter Punta Lasa, which was wrecked in the South Atlantic last summer, dismasted, but with a jury mast. She had no jibboom or bowsprit, and only pieces of sail. After about two hours' hard work 90 fathoms of 4 1/2 inch steel wire made fast to 60 fathoms of 3 inch steel wire and passed on board the schooner. The towage continued for three days, when they reached Monte Video. It transpired that the Punta Lasa had been disabled for 23 days. Her plight was reported to the British consul at Baltazan's master that had she not come up the Punta Lasa would have had to be abandoned. The towage was over a distance of 236 miles, and a day and a half was lost by the Baltazan.

ELLA DELAYED LOADING AT SEATTLE

Jebson Liner Which Was to Have Sailed Today Held on Sound Taking Freight

The Jebson line steamer Ella, which was to have sailed today from the outer wharf carrying a second excursion party to Mexican and Central American ports, has been delayed at Seattle loading cargo, according to advice received yesterday by R. V. Winch & Co., agents of the line, and will sail from here on Friday night or Saturday morning. The Ella will have a big cargo, including a big shipment of grain for Mexican ports.

MANY DESERTERS FROM WESTERN SLOPE

While Little Schooner Lingers at Soke Many Hunters and Boat Steerers Have Taken Flight

The little nine-ton sealing schooner Western Slope still lingers at Soke, and the hunters who went to the waters are hunting ducks, while Capt. Lomp is hunting some others of them who deserted. It was nearly a fortnight ago that the Western Slope put into Soke under stress of weather and three men deserted, being followed by the city by Capt. Lomp. He secured two of the fugitives, and on his return two others made their escape. Mate Collinson came to town and secured two other men to replace them, and then another hunter took flight, with Capt. Lomp after him. Meanwhile the Western Slope awaited a fair wind to start south to hunt until the spring season closes in April next.

SET SHIP ON FIRE

Sailors of the Lonsdale Say Vessel Was Set on Fire in Three Places

Seamen of the bark Lonsdale, which put into Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, when bound out from Cardiff for Mazatlan, state that when the vessel put to sea from the Falkland Islands port she was discovered to be on fire in three places, and had to be beached. A reward of \$1,000 was offered by the captain for the detection of the supposed incendiaries.

PETRIANA WILL START NEW SERVICE

Northern Steamship Company's New Vessel Will Sail on Tuesday—S. S. Vadso Goes North

The steamer Petriana of the Northern Steamship Company will inaugurate the new service of the new coasting line from Turner Beeton's wharf on Tuesday next. The schedule to be given provides for a sailing from Victoria on the 1st and 15th of each month until the entry of the steamer Norway, the second steamer to be used by the company, into this trade. The Petriana is a new coasting steamer with three masts and machinery similar to the steamer Amur of the C.P.R.

The Boscowitz Company's steamer Vadso, delayed by the difficulty of securing coal, reached Turner Beeton's wharf last night from Comox. The vessel reached here several days ago from the north and after discharging her freight and disembarking her passengers proceeded to Ladysmith to coal. Unable to secure fuel there she proceeded to Comox and left the coal port yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. The Vadso sailed for northern British Columbia ports last night after a short stay. She took a heavy freight.

Nearly every steamer leaving for the north now shipsments to Stewart, and this growing city is now made a port of call of all the northern steamers. The steamer Bruno, which has been bought for the G. T. P. service from Prince Rupert to Queen Charlotte Islands, will make regular calls at Stewart, and the various lines have all placed the place on their list of calls.

W. H. SMITH WILL UNLOAD HER CARGO

General Average Will Be Held on the Crippled Lumber Carrier From Chemainus for Africa

The ship William H. Smith, which was dismasted off the Oregon coast in the second week of January, and drifted into Seattle, is now being loaded with her mainmast, propped across her deck and the topgallant sticks on her own masts gone, and her gear generally derelict, while she listed to port with eight feet of water below the gunwale. She has been ordered to shift from Winlaw, where she now is, to Port Blakeley to discharge cargo.

The lumber aboard the Smith was consigned to South Africa and it is understood that the consignees have agreed to accept delivery of all undamaged lumber. When the unloading of the Smith takes place the cargo will be sorted, the pieces not affected by bruising, discoloration or other damage being set aside while the material that has deteriorated will go into another lot.

The separation of the different classes of lumber will also be completed in arriving at the general average settlement with the underwriters, the ship carrying its own insurance, and the conclusion of the general average is awaited with interest by shipping men. The sea lawyers along the waterfront at first anticipated that the difficulties of the Smith would not be settled until devils legal mazes had been followed to their end. Here was an American ship, clearing from a British port for a British port, in distress, and towed back to an American port of refuge, and asked to pay for the cargo which the cargo was discharged here.

The settlement of the salvage claim for \$20,000 by the Grays Harbor Towboat company on a basis of \$3,250 was the only real difficulty which the owners of the ship and the underwriters of the cargo and the ship have been caused chiefly by difficulty in getting replies from the consignees of the cargo in Africa.

The salvage payment of \$3,250 will be decided between the ship's owners and the underwriters of the cargo, and proportion of each being determined at a valuation of both ship and cargo as delivered at the port of refuge.

The value of the cargo can only be determined after it has been unloaded and examined piece by piece, but it is expected to run around \$15,000. Just the ship is worth will have to be determined by survey, after she is discharged, but as the ship Elwell recently sold for about \$6,000 in this port and the Smith will require practically an entire new rigging if she goes into commission, provided her hull is all right, it is not expected that the valuation on the ship will be heavy.

C. P. R. MARKET FOR NEW STEAMERS

Liverpool Paper Credits Railroad Company With Intent of Building More Liners

The C. P. R. is credited with being in the market for the construction of new liners, by the Liverpool Journal of Commerce, which says in a recent issue: "It is stated that among the Liverpool lines which are in the market for new vessels or have new vessels building are the Elder, Dempster, Anchor, C. P. R., Elder, Dempster, and P. S. N. lines.

Regarding the Atlantic service to be established by the Canadian Northern Railway steamship company the Liverpool paper says: "The impression has been created in shipping circles in London that the Canadian Northern Railway company have decided to adopt Glasgow as the headquarters of their new steamship line. The suggestion that they have contemplated going to Southampton is generally discredited, especially when the question of freights is taken into consideration. It is also stated that representatives of the directorate and of the management of the company are on their way to this country for the purpose of organizing central and agency staffs.

The Hamburg-America line is to build new vessels, Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Belfast, have obtained an order to construct three intermedi-

ate vessels for the Hamburg-America line, two of which would be built in Belfast and one in Brown's, Clydebank.

The Dundee Shipbuilding Company, Limited, have signed contracts to build three large barges of special dimensions for South American owners, and a twin-screw steamer of large tonnage and shallow draft type for foreign owners.

Passed Examination.

Mr. J. Ishister of the G. S. Lillooet has successfully passed his examination as Coasting Mate, after a course of study at the Victoria Nautical and Engineering School.

Lost With All Hands.

Cable advices to the Merchants' Exchange report the loss at sea of the well known Italian ship S. Ciampa with her entire crew. While on a voyage from Maffiolo for Falmouth the windjammer went down off Dunwothy bay. The Ciampa was well known on this coast, having been here several years ago.

Tordenskjold Repaired.

The Norwegian steamer Tordenskjold, the boilers of which were condemned by the inspectors, is in commission again, and has cleared for Eureka from Francisco where the work of installing new boiler heads and furnaces has been going on for several months at the yards of the Moore & Scott Iron Works. The Tordenskjold will carry a cargo of lumber from Eureka to Australia and return here with coal. She was formerly engaged in the coastwise coal traffic for the Western Fuel Company, but is now under fixture to the American Trading Company.

BRITISH LEAD OVER FOREIGN TRADE GONE

Liverpool Shipowners' Association Shows Increase of Foreign Shipping Trade Over That of United Kingdom

The lead of British shipping over the foreign trade has been shown according to statements made at the recent meeting of the Liverpool Shipowners' Association, which represents 22 per cent of British shipping. Last year the association recommended a scheme for laying up surplus tonnage at the expense of the shipping in full work owing to the surplus of tonnage. The scheme was not carried out owing to the absence of support on the part of shipowners generally. They expressed the opinion, however, that there is in existence a large excess of tonnage, and that it is composed mainly of old and outclassed vessels which cannot be run at a profit, but which affect the freight market most prejudicially. The existence of this excess of tonnage is a matter of grave concern to all shipowners, whilst the very rapid increase of foreign shipping in the international carrying trade requires the most serious consideration of all who are interested in British shipping.

The secretary prepared a report showing that while in 1895 British shipping had exceeded by 3,000,000 tons all foreign tonnage, that superiority disappeared in 1896, and the cargo tonnage showed that while British ships carried 15,000,000 tons in excess of all foreign vessels in 1895 in 1896 the foreign vessels carried 69,000,000 tons over British vessels which carried 259,000,000 tons as against the foreign fleet's 328,000,000.

The proportionate increase between the tonnage and employment of vessels under foreign flags as compared with that of vessels under the British flag too commented on by the committee, who declare that the British shipowners have been handicapped in the competition for the overseas carrying trade. A step in the right direction, the Merchant Shipping Act of 1906, which brought into existence the international load line, is much appreciated, but its full effect is only beginning to be felt. The committee feel, however, that if foreign competition is to be successfully met the British shipowner must be freed from all unnecessary State influence. The association has resolved to petition the government to repeal the Navigation Act of 1825, which has been a hindrance to the competition for the overseas carrying trade. A step in the right direction, the Merchant Shipping Act of 1906, which brought into existence the international load line, is much appreciated, but its full effect is only beginning to be felt. The committee feel, however, that if foreign competition is to be successfully met the British shipowner must be freed from all unnecessary State influence.

COAL STRIKE CAUSES SHIPPING LAWSUITS

Andrew Weir & Co. Lost Action Brought Against Them by Owners of the Chartered Steamer Braemount

Some interesting lawsuits are being tried as a result of the protracted coal miners strike in Australia, which has just ended. Andrew Weir & Co. lost an action brought against them by the Braemount Steamship Co. over the delay of the steamer Braemount from Newcastle, chartered to the Weir Co. By the charter party it was agreed that the steamer Braemount, then at Durban, should proceed to Newcastle, N. S.W., and load a coal cargo for the West Coast. The vessel arrived at Newcastle on December 18, and pleaded a strike which had broken out on November 8, the ship could not get any coal, and was still waiting at that port. Under these circumstances the charterer claimed that the contract was at an end owing to its commercial object having been frustrated in consequence of the strike, and pleaded that the strike clause in the document, being mutual, protected them from the consequences of being unable to load the ship. The matter then went to arbitration, the finding being that the exception in the charter party in regard to strikes was not mutual, and that the doctrine of the commercial frustration of the object of the venture had no application in the case. It was added by the arbitrator, if the charter had been otherwise, in deference to the legal decisions on the point of mutuality of the strike clause.

John Weir, sitting in the King's Bench Division, gave judgment for the shipowners with costs, holding that the strike clause in this instance was not mutual. As to the question whether the commercial object had been frustrated, he held that nothing had happened in this case which the parties could not have perfectly reasonably contemplated. Strikes were common things, and were actually referred to in the contract itself. Strikes might last for a long time or a short time, but they did not last forever, and if they were not provided for, if the charterers had not taken care to protect their commercial object of the adventure had been prevented by the existence of the strike. To say that a delay of three weeks frustrated the

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whole object of the charter seemed to him absurd. It might just as well be said that the solvency of the people who wanted to charter the vessel was given for the declaration given by the arbitrators that the vessel was on hire to the charterers from the date at which she was placed at their disposal.

GERMAN AND BRITISH STEAMSHIP LINES FIGHT

Shipping Strife Between Companies Operating to the Port of South and East Africa

There is a war between Britain and Germany on the water, a shipping fight between British and German steamship companies plying to South and East Africa. Hitherto an understanding existed between the British and German lines respecting rates, but for some time past dissatisfaction has been felt by the British lines with the manner in which the German companies were carrying out the agreement. Then in November came the determination of the Union-Castle Company to extend their service from Beira to British East Africa, calling Beira to Mozambique (Portuguese territory) and Dar-es-Salaam and Tanga (German East Africa), and Zanzibar. This move was keenly resented by the German lines, and the trouble which has been smouldering for months now appears to have come to a head in the reported determination of the German companies to force a fight. It is felt that an amicable agreement between the opposing parties is perfectly practicable, and no doubt, would be welcomed by the British lines, but should the German services really cut rates on any large scale, the British companies would have no alternative but to protect the interests of shippers. In considering the South African shipping trade, it should not be forgotten that a source of friction has been the advantage which the German lines enjoy, as compared with the British companies, of the low through rates quoted from inland German ports to foreign ports. As the railways are state-owned, the profits of the lines may be sacrificed to the encouragement of German commerce, and the British lines, calling at Hamburg have, therefore, to meet a very powerful form of competition.

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MAKE INROADS ON BRITISH SEA TRADE

German Lines Make Bold Bid
for the Carrying Trade With
South Africa

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Rivalry between
the British and German firms engaged
in the South African shipping trade
has culminated in a rate war. Four of
the German firms which at present
take part in the carrying trade be-
tween Europe and German East and
South-West Africa have associated
themselves in an effort to capture a
share of the carrying trade with the
British South African Colonies which
at present is practically exclusively in
British hands.

The attack which took the South
African trade by surprise, towards the
end of last week, was made with char-
acteristic thoroughness. An immediate
reduction of \$1.25 per ton on general
cargo freights was announced, and
the German combine notified shippers
that they were prepared to deal with
South African cargo wherever it offered.
The ports of Glasgow and Liverpool
were specified in connection with the
point; hitherto South African cargo
had been shipped from Southampton
and London, but the Germans appar-
ently intend to use the four ports if
it is worth while. They will also supply
the point-to-point system to cargoes,
undertaking to deliver under one charge
goods consigned to any one of the South
African ports or to any centre in the
Hinterland.

This last is a feature of to shippers,
as it would enable them to effect
economies in their coast agencies. It
is significant that the German lines
announce that they are prepared to
enter into contracts of seven years' du-
ration. They are prepared also to
quote specially low rates for large
shipments of particular classes of
goods which are in regular demand.
Galvanized iron has already been clas-
sified on exceptionally low terms, and
it is understood that many other car-
goes will be similarly treated. Com-
ment is said to be next on the list for
preferential treatment. The wisdom
of singling out these special lines will
be apparent when it is mentioned that
Johannesburg is enjoying something
like a building boom just now.

Inquiries show that the British ship-
ping companies concerned are fully
alive to the seriousness of this new
competition, but what steps they will
take to meet it have not yet been an-
nounced. The Conference Lines (the
term used to designate those British
companies at present engaged in the
trade, from the fact that they work
on a basis of charges agreed upon by
a conference of owners) are unani-
mous in their resolve that British
shippers shall be "protected" against
the German combine. It is difficult to
see how this can be done by reducing
rates to a level with, or even under,
those of the German shippers. At
the same time the latter claim to have
booked many thousands tons of cargo
and to have secured several contracts.

Paris Editor Gets Sentence.
PARIS, Feb. 23.—Gustave Peru, the
anti-military agitator, and editor of
the revolutionary organ, *Guerre So-
ciale*, was today sentenced to four
years' imprisonment for inciting to
murder and glorifying crime in an ar-
ticle praising the apache who killed a
policeman last month.

The various mills embraced in the
membership of the British Columbia
Lumber & Shingle Manufacturers' as-
sociation, with possibly one excep-
tion, have completed the organization
of a selling agency, to act as brokers.
Ivan D. Smith, formerly purchasing
agent of Mason & Gordon, of Mon-
treal, has been placed in charge. The
effect of the new arrangement has
been the retirement of a score or
more of travelling representatives of
the various mills. A number, how-
ever, have been transferred to the ser-
vice of the new agency, and will act
in a similar capacity. The new move
also had the effect of driving out of
business local brokers who placed or-
ders on the coast for customers. In
the private demand for lumber
still continues brisk, and the demand
is such that in some lines it will be
several weeks before orders can be
filled.

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general meeting of the year next suc-
ceeding their election;

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tors subject to the provisions of the
Bank Act;

To fix the method of filling vacan-
cies in the board of directors when-
ever the same may occur in each year;

To fix the time and proceedings for
the election of the directors in case of
any failure of any election on the day
appointed for it;

To prescribe the record to be kept of
proceedings of the board not exceeding 30
days, within which proxies must be
produced and recorded prior to any sub-
sequent meeting, in order to enable the
holder to vote thereat;

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REMARKABLE SOCIETY

The "Catch-My-Pal" Movement Works
Well Throughout Ulster

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Among the many
temperance societies, one of the most
remarkable, and, according to its
founder, the Rev. R. J. Patterson, a
prominent Presbyterian clergyman in
Armagh, the most successful, is that
known widely throughout Ulster as the
"Catch-My-Pal" movement.

About seven months ago, Mr. Pat-
terson became convinced that all the
temperance cards had been played, and
that something entirely novel was
needed to bring the public nearer to
total abstinence. He evolved quite a
new scheme last July, and from that
time it has achieved marvellous suc-
cess.

A meeting was held, and a number
of men signed the pledge, making a
promise at the same time to bring in
a friend—in other words, to "catch a
pal." The "pal" on coming to be be-
come a teetotaler, also became a mis-
sionary for temperance, and at once
proceeded to catch his particular "pal."

The movement speedily spread to
other towns. It is said that at the
end of three months, the public houses
in many of the smaller towns in Ul-
ster were absolutely deserted, and it
is an undeniable fact that many pub-
licans have been compelled to sell out
and leave the trade entirely.

Many thousands men and women now
belong to the new movement, which
is supported by public opinion in Ul-
ster, but throughout the south and
west of Ireland. Although started un-
der Protestant auspices, the movement
has appealed to Roman Catholics, and
many priests have helped to enlarge
its operations.

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Intosh, E. H. Clements, Henry Doyle, C.
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couver; C. Bartlett, Langley, B. C.; T.
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man, Man.; Richard Brown, Kusto, B.
C.; J. Campbell, Winnipeg; A. S. Gil-
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cob Bray, Tacoma, Wash.; Henry Wil-
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NOT TO EXTEND BOUNTY SYSTEM

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Mr. Toy, (Dorchester): "Where is
there any harm done?"
Dr. Edwards: "The wrongdoing is
the preaching of the doctrine of sepa-
ration from the Empire."

Mercier's Course.
Dr. Beland asked if Dr. Edwards was
aware that Mercer got \$10,000 from the
English province of Ontario when To-
ronto university was destroyed by fire.

Dr. Edwards replied that he did not
know anything about that. He knew,
however, that Mercer had preached
sedition and treason.

While he was dealing with the past
utterances of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in
favor of an independent Canada, Dr.
Edwards was interrupted by Dr. Pa-
quet of Lislet, who asked: "Are the
French Canadians today not loyal to
the British Crown?" Dr. Edwards re-
plied that he had said nothing which
would cast any reflections on the loy-
alty of the people of that province,
and he declined to permit any mem-
ber, no matter on which side of the
house he might sit, to pervert his
language. He added that the people of
Quebec had more reason to be grateful
for British diplomacy and institutions
than any other province.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux evidenced
the loyalty of the French Canadians
during the South African war, the
postmaster-general adding that he
himself had a brother in that struggle.
"But," retorted Dr. Edwards, "We
have the people of Canada to thank
and not the government, that Canadi-
ans went to the defence of the Em-
pire."

Dr. Beland speaking in French fa-
vored the creation of a Canadian navy
along the lines of the bill now before
the house. Trade routes from Canada
commerce would thus be protected.
The debate was adjourned by Mr. C.
J. Doherty of St. Ann's, Montreal, who
emphasized the fact that the French
Canadians were loyal to the British
crown and institutions. He did not
think it fair to hold Quebec respon-
sible for the utterances of a minister
after he had been dismissed from power
by the solid vote of the people of
Quebec province. Mr. Doherty spoke
briefly and will resume the debate to-

PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS



A new heating system has been in-
stalled in Greenwood's public schools.

Duncan Ross is an aspirant for a
place on the Dominion railway com-
mission.

The East End High school, Vancou-
ver, will be known hereafter as
Britannia school.

Dog poisoners are actively pursuing
their mean work near Fruitlands, Kam-
loops district.

A coroner's jury at Vancouver has
severely censured the administration of
the Chinese hospital in that city.

The board of works at Vancouver
has approved the latest plan for the
Coal Harbor causeway.

A meeting to promote the first na-
tional apple show of Canada was held in
Vancouver last night.

T. K. Smith has purchased the
Wyatt sawmill at Hulleon, and logging
operations are in full swing.

At Vancouver on Monday evening
the marriage was solemnized of Mr.
H. S. Rowling and Miss Mary Hous-
ton, daughter of Mr. John Houston.

The Vancouver police have arrested
a gang of small boys who are believed
to have been responsible for a large
number of recent petty thefts.

Rossland Eagles have purchased the
Hunter Bros' block on Columbia
avenue, and will convert it into a
handsome home for the local aerie.

Joe Martin, a Vancouver hack-
driver, has by the death of an aunt in
New York, inherited a fortune of
\$182,500.

Phoenix has ordered the ejectment
of all slot machines, and the rigorous
enforcement of the Sunday closing law.

Elma C. Goulding, a son of J. E.
Goulding, of Nelson, was killed last
week by an explosion at the Trojan
Powder Works, near Oakland, Cal.

S. Akai, a Japanese, was found dead
of exposure on the railway near Wolf's
Cresting, not far from New West-
minster, on Sunday last.

Rev. G. W. Taylor, fishing inspector
of Nanaimo, suffered a paralytic stroke
on Monday last, and is in a very cri-
tical condition.

Rev. H. F. Waring, for seven years
pastor of the First Baptist church, at
Halifax, has accepted a call to Van-
couver.

The marriage was celebrated at New
Westminster on Monday of Mr. Francis
Lawrence Kerr and Miss Hadel Ena
Boutiller.

Residents of Point Grey municipa-
lity are advocating a continuation of
the marine drive from Point Grey to
New Westminster and thence to Van-
couver.

A verdict of suicide while tempo-
rarily insane has been rendered by the
coroner's jury investigating the cir-
cumstances attending the death of
John B. Sargent at New Westminster.

While taking photographs in Trail
a few days ago, G. W. Beer, a Ross-
land photographer, was stricken with
paralysis. He is now in hospital, his
right side completely paralyzed.

The B. C. E. R. Co. has announced
an extension of its Vancouver service
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ity of Vancouver.

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Northern British Columbia.

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Ashcroft-Fort George Business League
J. A. SUTHERLAND, Secretary.

Burnaby. This property has been and
is being sold by the John Hendry Co.
in smaller holdings to private pur-
chasers, some 200 having invested up
to the present. The record of this
deal was put through the land reg-
istry office on February 1, which, ad-
ded to the other business put through
the office, made a record of \$740,070
on which fees were paid.

A "gun man," vaguely described as
white, tall and slim, held up a Japa-
nese in Charlie Sato's restaurant at
New Westminster, late Sunday even-
ing at the point of a revolver and
forced the Nipponese to part with
three dollars.

The Ashcroft Conservative associa-
tion has passed with unanimity a re-
solution endorsing the attitude taken
by Mr. Martin Burrill, M. P., on the
Canadian naval question now under
debate in the Federal house.

Archie McNab and Mary Laughlin,
two elderly persons, were applicants
for a marriage license at the Provin-
cial government office in Phoenix on
Monday last. The elderly couple had
come from Spokane, where they had
been refused a license, by reason of
their being inmates of a charitable
institution. The bride was a widow,
whilst the bridegroom stated that he
was a bachelor and a blacksmith by
trade.

An interesting relic of the early
days of New Westminster has come
to light in the form of a map of the
city forty-eight years old, bearing the
legend: "Lithographed under direc-
tion of Capt. Parsons, R. E. New
Westminster, July 1862, by order of
Col. S. C. Moody, R. E." etc. Even at
that time the city was quite extensive,
the map taking in from between what
is now Fourteenth street to Queen's
park and from the quay side to Fifth
avenue or Melbourne street, as it was
then called. The streets were all
named with proper names. Third av-
enue was Pelham street; Fourth av-
enue, Montreal street, and Fifth av-
enue, Melbourne street. The open
space where the Carnegie library now
stands is marked "market." Large
tracts of land which are now built
over are marked for public parks, and
a space taking in all the land lying
between Fourth street and Sixth
street and between Columbia street
and Queen's avenue was "reserved
for government buildings." Other
large blocks are set aside for hospital
and school purposes, and it is evi-
dent from the map that the people living
there at that time had great faith in
the future of the city. One of the
most remarkable features of the map
is that some of the assessments are
marked on it in red ink. The figures
have been put on after the map was
printed, and it is difficult to say just
what year they are for, but they
probably date back to the seventies.
The most valuable piece of property
at that time was the lot on which the
Dominion Trust building now stands,
and it bears the figures \$1200. At
present the assessment on that lot is
\$40,000.

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TO ROOM TRADERSMarket Awaiting Development
of New Forces to Make Fresh
Start—Firmness Shown
World's Money Markets

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The stagnant and inert stock market today was suggestive of the arrival of the speculative stage of waiting for the development of new forces. After prolonged liquidation, entered upon with the opening of the year, followed by a sharp rebound, the market has sunk into apathy. The shorts have covered their requirements and the recovery has carried prices above where the investment demand was effective in sustaining prices.

Room traders labored to move prices and turn small fractional profits at the expense of each other today. No other dealings were distinguishable in the day's transactions. The sales fell to a figure lower than for a year past. There were long intervals when nothing was done on the floor of the exchange.

There was desultory discussion of some of the day's news and happenings, but it showed in no active operations on the stock market. The violence connected with the street car strike in Philadelphia is disquieting to sentiment. Methods of publicity and advertisement designated to stir speculative interest had but feeble results, as shown by the meagre total of the day's dealings.

The money markets were appreciably firmer both here and abroad. The renewed continental demand on London for gold has stiffened the discount rate at that centre. The New York money market is influenced to some extent by syndicate requirements. Dealers in mercantile paper report a preference amongst money lenders for the choicest grades of paper even at a lesser discount rate. This tendency has given rise to discussion whether a cleaning up of the commercial credit situation is implied, such as the banks enforced against stock market collateral since the first of the year. The emergence of the crops from the rigors of the winter is being studied closely, and this is an influence on the present halt in speculation.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, \$3,259,000. U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—It was an unsettled nervous trade in wheat all day, with some heaviness at lower prices at the close. As was to be expected, the remarkable crop damage claims coming from the southwest received more attention than any other news. The market had one or two good swells especially the new crop months on buying inspired by the damage reports. Later conservative feeling seemed to prevail and some of the late messages declared flatly that the damage, if it exists, cannot be known at this time. Cash wheat prices at St. Louis and Kansas City were 1/2 lower. Leading house in the northwest confirms the report that reserves in first hands are down to about 15 per cent. The way in which the market flattened out in the last hour would indicate that the trade and the public do not take the crop damage claims seriously, but this is no proof that the injury will not be widespread when the growing season appears. We prefer the buying side on breaks.

Corn—Receipts were 616 cars and an estimate tomorrow of 555 cars and local stocks increased nearly 500,000 for the past week. Cash corn prices were 1/2 cent lower here and Kansas City. Big crop of low grade corn and the selling side for the present on swells.

Oats—Receipts have enlarged considerably with a larger movement of corn. Fair volume of resting orders on buying side in the market on each little decline.

Provisions—Big outside packing concerns credited with selling at an advance and brokers for a big local pack took the product. Experts say hogs must break on products advance as there is a loss in making the product at present differences.

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close.
May 114 1/4 114 1/4 113 1/4
July 105 1/4 105 1/4 104 1/4
Sept. 100 1/4 100 1/4 100 1/4Corn—
May 66 1/4 66 1/4 65 1/4
July 67 1/4 67 1/4 66 1/4
Sept. 67 1/4 67 1/4 66 1/4Oats—
May 47 1/4 47 1/4 46 1/4
July 48 1/4 48 1/4 47 1/4
Sept. 48 1/4 48 1/4 47 1/4Rye—
May 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2
July 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2
Sept. 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2Lard—
May 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2
July 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2
Sept. 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2Short Ribs—
May 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2
July 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2
Sept. 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)
Closing Bid.
Allis-Chalmers 75 1/2
Amal. Copper 75 1/2
Am. Car. Fdy. 63 1/2
Am. Ice 25 1/2
Am. Leather 42 1/2
Am. Smelt. 84 1/2
Am. Sugar 12 1/2
Am. Tel. & Tel. 14 1/2
Am. Woolen 12 1/2
Anaconda 49 1/2
Atlantic Coast 130 1/2
Atchafalaya 115 1/2
B. & O. 112 1/2
B. R. T. 74 1/2
C. C. & S. L. 80 1/2
C. P. R. 180 1/2
C. and O. 83 1/2
C. and A. W. 31 1/2
C. and N. W. 157 1/2
C. M. and S. P. 146 1/2
Cent. Leather 42 1/2
C. P. and I. 39 1/2
Colo. Southern 62 1/2
Cons. Gas 145 1/2
Cotton Products 18 1/2
D. and H. 176 1/2
D. and R. G. 41 1/2
Distillers 25 1/2
Erie 25 1/2
do Is. pfd 46 1/2
Gt. Nor. Ore 69
Gt. Nor. Pfd 136 1/2
Hilltop Cent. 141 1/2
Inter-Met. 22 1/2

Iowa Cent.	152 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
Met. St. Ry.	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Mexican Cen.	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
M. S. F. S. M.	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
M. K. and T.	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Missouri Pac.	71 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Nat. Lead	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Prosser Steel	122 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
N. Y. O. and W.	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
N. and W.	101 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2
Northern Pac.	136 1/2	135 1/2	135 1/2
Pack. Co.	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Pacific Mail	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Pennsyl. Ry.	133 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2
Peoples Gas	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
Pittsburg Coal	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Reading	170 1/2	169 1/2	169 1/2
do Is. pfd	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
Rep. Steel	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Rock. Island	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Sloss Steel	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Southern Pac.	126 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Southern Ry.	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Tenn. Copper	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Texas	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Third Ave.	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Twin City	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
Union Pac.	187 1/2	185 1/2	185 1/2
Utah Copper	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
U. S. Steel	80 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
Utah Copper	50 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Virginia Chem.	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Wabash	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Washington	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
Wisconsin Cent.	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Money on call, 2 1/2 per cent.			
Total sales, 387,800 shares.			

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE.

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)			
Listed Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.	
Alberta Canadian Oil ..	10	10	
Alberta Coal and Coke ..	63	65	
Int. Coal and Coke ..	68	75	
Portland Cement ..	21	21	
Stewart M. and D. Co.	235	240	
West. Coal and Coke ..	62	62 1/2	
Burton Caw Works ..	90	110	
Northwestern Trust Co.	95	102	
Gt. West. Term.	114	115	
Unlisted Stock—			
B. C. Perm. Loan ..	120	129	
B. C. Trust Corp.	97	105	
British Columbia ..	94	94	
Northern Certificate ..	100	100	
Pac. Whaling ..	53 1/2	68	
Amer. Canadian Oil ..	67 1/2	68 1/2	
B. C. Copper Co.	60 1/2	67 1/2	
Canadian Northwest Oil ..	14	14	
Diamond Vale C. and C.	87 1/2	89	
Granby ..	85	85	
Nicola Valley C. and C.	60	78	
Rambler Caribon ..	12	12	
Red Cliff Mining Co.	102	107	
Royal Collieries ..	18	22	
S. A. Serip ..	670	725	

MONTREAL STOCKS.

Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.		
Stock—	Bid.	Asked.
Can. Pac. Ry.	180½	180½
Detroit United Ry.	63½	64
Union Minn. Coal, com.	83½	83
Do pfld	115½	115
Am. Iron & S. com.	70%	70%
Do pfld	135	135½
Lake of Woods, com.	150	150½
Do pfld	150½	150½
Acadny pfd	75½	76½
Ontreal Lt. and P.	133½	134
Ontreal St. Ry.	224	224½
Ontreal Telegraph	143	143½
W. & A. Scotia Steel, com.	82½	82½
Do pfld	125	135
Illivie Mfg. Co., com.	142	142½
Do pfld	85	86
Ont. & O. Nav. Co.	124	124
Win City Rap. Trans.	114	115
Manman	63½	63
C. Packers	73	77
Banks—		
Merchants	176	178
Olsons	207	209
Watnawa	210	—
Wabeco	124½	125
Royal	—	221
Standard	—	140
Union	142	—
Wabeco	97	—

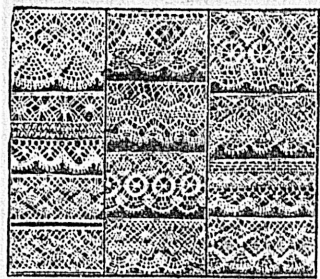
A good cup of tea when down town this cold weather is just the thing—daintily served at our tea room. 3rd floor.

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED

An Opportunity That Knocks at Your Door Only Once a Year

Friday and Saturday, We Hold Our Annual Dressmakers' Supply and Smallwares Sale

Our chocolates are fresh daily, made on the premises. Pure, wholesome and delicious. Try them.



Friday and Saturday, We Are Offering Exceptional Bargains in Lace Remnants

On Friday and Saturday we place on sale a few hundred yards of Valenciennes Laces, at tremendously reduced prices. Our reason for disposing of them so cheap is simply to close them out, as there remains only a few yards on each roll.

Val. and Torchon Lace,

Regular to 10c per yard for **1c**
Just think for a moment, 1c. does the work of ten during Friday and Saturday. This lot includes Valenciennes, Torchon Laces and Insertions. Values up to 10c Friday and Saturday..... **1c**

Embroideries,

Regular 7c to 15c for **2c**
Embroideries which we usually sell all the way from 7c to 15c per yard are to be cleaned out. These are slightly soiled, so to make doubly sure of quick riddance they are marked per yard at..... **2c**

Embroideries,

Regular 15c to 25c for **5c**
Hardly believable is this, nevertheless here they are for your inspection, and a splendid bargain indeed. Regularly sold at 15c to 25c. Friday and Saturday **5c**

Val. Lace,

Regular Values to 5c **10c**
These Valenciennes Laces are known as the double thread, diamond, Valenciennes. A number of very pretty designs are included, usually sold for from 25c up to 50c. Friday and Saturday..... **10c**

Men's and Boys' Suits at Very Small Prices for Friday and Saturday

Men and Boys' Suits, made of reliable materials, splendidly tailored and the acme of style, fit and finish, coupled with the specially low prices which we are offering them at, is sure to cause people who know good clothes to purchase on Friday and Saturday. When we say reliable clothing we mean that the suits we are showing at these prices are the best in their respective grades, where the prices cannot possibly be lower. We have marked these at this special price in order to make room.

Men's Suits in fawns, greens, browns and grey mixtures. Friday and Saturday **\$6.75**
Also a fine line at **\$10.00**
Boys' Norfolk Suits in fancy tweeds and serges. Friday and Saturday **\$2.75**
Boys' Fancy Suits in worsteds and tweeds. **\$3.50**



Oddment Clearance of Mat Lengths of Carpets

Mar Lengths of Carpet for, each, **\$1.00**

40 Mat Lengths of Carpet, in Axminster and Wilton, in greens, reds, blues, fawns, etc., in designs and shadings very suitable for rugs. Regular \$2.00 yard. Friday, 1½ lengths, each **\$1.00**

Carpet Squares for **\$4.50**

100 Carpet Squares—These are made of a wool and cotton mixture and come in fawns, greens, reds, blues, etc., in conventional and floral designs, just the thing for your bedroom. Size 9 ft. x 9 ft. Friday, each **\$4.50**

Women's and Children's Underwear Priced Economically

Child's Merino Combinations, high necks, long sleeves, ankle length. All sizes. Prices 85c to **60c**
Child's Wool and Cotton Combinations, high neck, long sleeves, ankle length. All White. \$1.25 to **75c**
Child's All-wool Combinations, pen angle, high neck, long sleeves, ankle length, natural. All sizes. \$2.00 to **\$1.50**
Also a line in All-wool Ribbed Combinations, all sizes, \$2.50 to **\$1.35**
Ladies' Natural Wool Vests, high neck, long sleeves **90c**
Ladies' Vests, in white and natural, Zenith Brand, long and short sleeves, open fronts **90c**
Drawers to match **90c**
Short sleeves, closed fronts **75c**
Ladies' Cotton Vests, long sleeves, white and natural, drawers in white. Each **25c**

Lowest Priced Cold Weather Underwear for Men

Men's Warm, Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, all sizes. Per garment **50c**
Men's Heavy Mixture Wool Shirts and Drawers, in fancy stripes, all sizes. Per garment **75c**
Men's Natural Wool, Medium Weight Shirts and Drawers, all sizes. Regular value \$1.25. Special per garment **\$1.00**
Men's Medium Weight Natural Wool (elastic rib) Shirts and Drawers, all sizes. Per garment **\$1.25**
See Special Show in Window.

Every dressmaker and, in fact, every woman should take advantage of this sale, as it offers you an exceptionally good opportunity of being able to procure Smallwares, etc. at remarkably low prices. Once every year we make a general clearance of this department, which lasts only about two days, and, this year, we are devoting Friday and Saturday for this clearance.

Dress Fasteners, black or white. Per doz.	5c	Curling Irons. Per pair	5c
Hooks and Eyes, Sphynx, 2 doz. on card, 4 for	5c	Hair Binders for the hair, 2 for	5c
Hooks and Eyes, dressmakers' standard, 2 doz. on card, 2 for	5c	Hair-Lyke Hair Nets, extra large size. Each	10c
Hooks and Bars, Rival, 2 doz. on card, 2 for	5c	Hair Pins, in packages, all sizes, 4 for	5c
Berry Pins, small, black and white, 2 for	5c	Hair Pins, invisible, 2 for	5c
Toilet Pins, large cube	5c	Hair Pins, assorted, boxes of 100, per box	5c
Dress Shields, nainsook covered, size 2 and 3. Per pair	10c	Agate or Glass Buttons, 3 doz. for	5c
Skirt Belting, double, black and white, 3 for	10c	Linen Buttons, 3 doz. for	5c
Dress Steels, sizes 6, 7, 8, 9. Per doz.	5c	Basting Thread, No. 36 and 40, in 1,000 yards spools. Each	10c
Brass Pins, 350 to paper, 3 for	10c	Coats' Best Machine Thread, 6 cord, 200 yards, all sizes, 6 for	25c
Silko Binding Braids; all shades. Per yard	4c		
Corset Clasps, B. & C., sateen covered, cork protector. Per pair	10c		
Celluloid Collar Supporters, 6 on card, 2 for	5c		
Wax, for polishing irons, 2 for	5c		
Corset Laces, white. Per pair	2c		
Mending Tissue. 4 Per package	5c		
Mending Wools, 2 for	5c		
Washers, 3 for	10c		
Button Moulds, all sizes. Per dozen	5c		
Hat Wire Rings, of 6 yards, each	5c		
Perfection Darners, for darning stockings	15c		
C. M. C. Belt Hose Supporters, with pad, extra strong lisle elastic. Per pair	25c		

BUTTONS

White Pearl Buttons, suitable for underwear, per card of 12 doz. **10c**
Pearl Buttons, 2 hole, 2 doz. on card **2½c**
Pearl Buttons, suitable for children's clothes. Per doz. **2½c**
Pearl Buttons, large and medium size. Per doz. **10c**
Fancy Metal Buttons, our regular 25c doz. Per doz. **10c**
Fancy Metal Buttons, large size. Regular 50c and 75c dozen. Per doz. **25c**

CORSET DEMONSTRATION

We beg to announce the arrival of
Miss Frances Hope Gale
who is an expert corsetiere from the East, who will demonstrate and give fittings of the celebrated
BON TON CORSETS
and
ROYAL WORCESTER

Miss Gale will be at our store every day, from 10 o'clock in the morning, and will be pleased to show you the many leading points of the above Corsets. Be sure and pay her a visit.—Corset Dept., Second Floor.

Today's Special Bargains in Ribbons, Laces and Trimming Remnants

Today we mean to clean up all our remnants in Ribbons, Laces, Trimmings, Veilings, etc. The prices for today's selling, is indeed remarkably low, for they all must go. The lengths vary from ¼ to 5 yards each. A splendid chance for economizing.

It Will Pay You to Visit Spencer's and See These Dress Goods at 50c

Nowhere in Canada will you find a finer or more varied assortment of fine Dress Goods than what is to be seen at this store. All the very latest weaves are shown, and the quality, why it is simply marvellous what the manufacturers can turn out for such little price. These include Panamas, Serges, Armures, Crepe Lustre, Satin Stripes, Ottoman Suiting. Per yard **50c**

The Final Week of Our February Housefurnishing Sale Offers Unusual Savings Every Oddment in Linoleums and Carpet Ends to Be Cleared

This being the last Friday Bargain of our February Furnishing Sale, we are making a special effort to clear out all the oddments, consequently everything will be marked at a price that will assure their speedy disappearance. Here are a few of the items. Note the prices:

Oilcloths, Reg. 25c and 35c, Printed Linoleums, Reg. 50c for 15c

Remnants of Oilcloths. There are about fifty ends in lengths varying from 2 to 10 square yards, good assortment of designs and colors. Regular price, 25c and 35c square yard. Friday..... **15c**

Printed Linoleum. There are about forty ends, in lengths varying from 2 to 12 square yards. In some cases there are two and three ends of a pattern, allowing enough for a good sized room. Regular 50c square yard. Friday, square yard **25c**

Three Lines of Odd Curtains

Odd Curtains, each, 25c

Sample Nottingham Lace Curtains, slightly soiled, in a good assortment of designs. Regular up to \$1.75 per pair. Friday, single curtain **25c**

Odd Curtains, each, 50c

Sample Nottingham Lace Curtains, slightly soiled, about 100 in all, good patterns, 3½ yards long. Regular from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per pair. Friday, single curtain **50c**

Odd Curtains, each, 75c

Sample Nottingham Lace Curtains, slightly soiled, about 50 in all. Extra good quality lace, 3½ yds. long. Regular from \$3.50 to \$4.50 per pair. Friday, single curtain **75c**

Curtain Muslins and Curtainettes, Friday, 15c

About 500 yards Curtaining, in muslins, in white and cream, with small, medium and large coin spots and floral and figured effects, and Nottingham lace in white and ecru, a good variety of designs. Worth 25c and 35c yard. Friday, yard..... **15c**

New Handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c

We are showing an exceptionally good line of Fancy Handkerchiefs. Included in the lot are some fancy embroidered, scalloped edged, and fine Merco lawn, with fancy colored borders. Special value at 3 for **25c**

A Carload of Suit Cases Just Received

Full Size Brown and Tan Color Suit Cases in imitation leather, good locks and brass fittings. Special **\$1.65**
Full Size Suit Cases, imitation (crocodile) leather, best lock and brass fittings. Special **\$1.95**
Japanese Matting Suit Cases, very strong and durable, in 3 sizes, very best lock and fittings **\$3.50**
Extra Large Size Imitation Leather Suit Cases in tan shade **\$4.50**

